

Chittagong hill tract of Pakistan, and almost all this arms smuggling is done through that area. I think the Defence Minister knows that a large number of Chakma people have been evicted from that Mizo area in Pakistan, and those people are now living in Tripura. I have personal knowledge.

Mr. Speaker: I know that. Unfortunately, this is question hour.

Shri Samar Guha: If these Chakma people now living in Tripura are settled in those areas of Mizo district bordering on Pakistan, then they can really form an effective barrier against this arm smuggling. Will the Government consider that question?

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: It is a suggestion for action. It will be duly considered.

#### Air Strength of Pakistan

- \*1523. Shri Madhn Limaye:  
 Dr. Kam Manohar Lohia:  
 Shri S. M. Banerjee:  
 Shri George Fernandes:  
 Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:  
 Shri Shri Gopal Saboo:  
 Shri Lilladhar Kotaki:  
 Shri N. B. Lankar:  
 Shri Brahmakar Supakar:  
 Shri Yashpal Singh:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has succeeded in restoring its air strength to the pre-September, 1965 level;

(b) whether the Americans have given Pakistan a new squadron of extremely sophisticated fighter aircraft;

(c) whether Pakistan has sent its airmen for training in Iran, Jordan and U.S.A. on a large scale; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to strengthen India's security?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Swaran Singh): (a) Pakistan's air strength is in excess of the pre-September 1965 level.

(b) and (c). Government have not received any information regarding the supply of a new Squadron of fighter aircraft by America to Pakistan or of Pakistani airmen receiving training in U.S.A. after September 1965. However, reports of Pakistani association in the military field with countries like Iran, Saudi Arabia and Turkey have been received from time to time. The underlying idea of this association appears to be some sort of mutual assistance and results in Pakistan obtaining some material benefit.

(d) Government are closely following Pakistan's military build-up and the threat arising therefrom. All necessary measures are being taken to deal with such a threat.

श्री नरू लिवये : अध्यक्ष महोदय, इसरायली-अरब युद्ध का एक नबक संधी देसों ने सीखा है, ये महान शक्तिशाली देशों की चर्चा नहीं कर रहा हूँ अमेरिका और रूस की, और वह सबक यह है कि जहाँ फासले कम हैं आवागमन के साधनों की कमी है ऐसे इलाकों में अग़र अचानक हमला किया जाता है हवाई जहाजों के जरिए और हवाई शक्ति को अग़र ख़त्म किया जाता है तो बहुत कम भरसे में बहुत बड़ा क्षेत्र या भूमि आक्रमित की जा सकती है। हिन्दुस्तान के लिए जो कश्मीर का इलाका है और उज़र पूर्वोत्तर हिन्दुस्तान का जो इलाका है उस में कुछ हिस्से ऐसे हैं कि तब इलाकों पर और आसपास के हवाई अड्डों पर अग़र अचानक हमला हुआ तो हवाई शक्ति ख़त्म हो जायगी और आसानी से आक्रमणकारी अड्डों को हज़र इलाकों पर कब्ज़ा करने के लिए अँका भिल जायगा।

अध्यक्ष महोदय, जिसके हाथ में एक क्ता पकी प्र जल है, अग्नि का लाली है वह उसको बाद में डोकैने के लिये आसानी

से संघर्ष नहीं होता है। क्या सरकार ने कुछ प्रयत्न कीये हैं और प्रयासक हथके का प्रतिष्कार करने के बिना सारी संभावनाओं को छोड़कर अहमि (बी) के उत्तर में कहा है ? क्या इस मुकदमे को भी धारण सामने रखा है ?

**श्री श्रीमान् Swaran Singh:** Mr. Speaker, Sir, this aspect of a sudden air attack has been engaging our very earnest consideration, and our experts and those who are in charge of tactical programmes are fully conscious of this and they know the implications of any such attack. I can say that they are conscious of this and have taken adequate steps to face a situation if it suddenly develops.

श्री मधु लिमये : क्या मंत्री महोदय का ध्यान इस खबर की ओर गया है कि कुछ ही दिन पहले अमरीका को फौजी प्रह्ला बनाने के बिना पाकिस्तान ने इजाजत दी है और उसके एवज में उन को काफी धन भी अमरीका से मिला है और नया इन प्रदो का इस्तेमाल ईरान, तुर्की, सऊदी अरेबिया आदि जो देश अमरीका के साथ हैं, उन से हवाई जहाज प्राप्त करने में लिये, क्योंकि संधि प्राप्त करना मुश्किल है इसलिये इन देशों की मारफत, तादो के हवाई जहाज, अमरीका के हवाई जहाज प्राप्त करने में इस धन का इस्तेमाल किया जायगा और इन फौजों प्रदो का भी भारत के विरुद्ध इस्तेमाल किया जायगा ?

**श्री Swaran Singh:** I did see a press report about the facilities that are reported to have been given by the Government of Pakistan to the Government of the United States. His House would no doubt be aware that it is a matter of several years now. There was an observation post established in Pakistan territory which was manned by the Americans. But I think our enquiries indicate that the amount of the so-called rental which was mentioned in the press report appeared to be on the high side—I refer to the press report.

**श्री श्रीमान् Swaran Singh:** One thousand million dollars.

श्री जार्ज फरनेन्डीज : अखबारों के प्रकाशक धारणों भी कोई जानकारी है ?

श्री मधु लिमये : क्या धारणों प्रकाशक से भी कोई रिपोर्ट मिली है ?

श्री जार्ज फरनेन्डीज : यह क्या है, प्रत्यक्ष महोदय। क्या अखबारों की खबरों के जरिये हमारे डिफेंस मिनिस्टर मुक्त का संरक्षण करना चाहते हैं ? यह गुस्ते की बात है।

**Mr. Speaker:** You will get a chance, Mr. Fernandes; your name is there and you can ask the question when your turn comes . . . (Interruptions).

श्री जार्ज फरनेन्डीज : हम क्या पूछते हैं और यह क्या बतलाते हैं। अखबारों के जरिये ये देश का संरक्षण करना चाहते हैं, इसको हम कैसे सहन करें। यह गुस्ता आने की बात है।

श्री मधु लिमये : सदस्यों को गुस्ता इसलिए आता है कि हमेशा जब इस तरह की बातें ली जाती हैं तो ये कहते हैं कि हमने अखबारों में देखा है। इनफिटेटर्स का मामला आया, इनको पता तक नहीं चला था। हमारा जो जासूसी विभाग है—वाहे फौजी हो या इनका गृह मंत्रालय प्रपना हो प्रकाशक हो—वे लोग क्या करते हैं—इस के बारे में लोगों के अन्दर काफ़ी बेवैनी है।

**Mr. Speaker:** I know, I know. I can understand Mr. Fernandes getting up once but repeatedly he should not jump and shout like this; it is not proper. All of us have seen in the newspaper; it is not as if he alone has seen it; all of us have seen it. Your point is whether he has any other information. Even assuming he has other information, I do not know to what extent he can reveal it. Let us hear him.

श्री मधु लिमये : वे सीर्स को न बतायें,  
लेकिन सूचना है या नहीं वह तो बतायें ।  
(Interruption).

Mr. Speaker: Now at least, let us hear him. I have explained the whole position

Shri Swaran Singh: The other point which was raised by Mr Madhu Limaye has great weight, because the suggestion that he made was that on account of the sort of military collaboration or association with other countries, Pakistan has the chance and capacity of acquiring some of the military equipment or even air force equipment, aircraft also, through other countries with whom they have got this type of relationship. We know it as a matter of fact that Pakistan struck a deal about the planes from Germany via Iran, although on paper they continued to be with Iran and in Iran. But I would like to take the House into confidence that in our reckoning, we feel that these planes, whether they are actually in Pakistan or in Iran, they are likely to be available and most likely will be available to Pakistan.

Then, about the question which my friend Shri Fernandes the young and enthusiastic Member, for whom I have respect, has put, he forgets that his own leader put the question, "Has the Government's attention been drawn to press reports about the establishment of a particular American base for observation in Pakistan territory?" I am expected to answer that question. He should also warn his leader not to base his question on press reports.

श्री मधु लिमये : अध्यक्ष महोदय, यह बड़ा प्रश्नाय है। फरनेन्डीय यही कह रहे थे कि हम लोग अक्सर पत्र कर तथा दूसरी जानकारी इकट्ठी करके लाते हैं। आपके पास जासूसी विभाग है, सूत्राचार है, आपके खर्चा हमने मजूर किया है, इस तरह से, सरकार साहब, जवाब नहीं देना चाहिये।

Shri Swaran Singh: I would like to say on that also. I can understand the desire of hon. Members not only to have information but probably to have some idea of the source of information, how we collect, etc. But I would beg of the hon. Members not to press me to disclose my source of information, that is the last thing that is disclosed by any government, and no questions—I appeal to hon. Members—should be put to me because I am unnecessarily embarrassed and so are the hon. Members (Interruption)

श्री हुड्डा- चन्द कृष्णाय जानकारी हमारे पास है, लेकिन जनहित में बताना ठीक नहीं है—ऐसा बोलिये न।

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Before putting my question, I would just inform the hon. Minister through you, that we never wanted the source of information to be divulged to us. We only wanted to know about some information we collected from the newspaper. There is some difference between the hon. Minister and the hon. Member about it. He must have more information, we are asking for something about Pakistan.

Mr. Speaker: The Minister said that hon. Members should not press him to reveal the source of information. Please put the question.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: I would like to know whether it is a fact. During Pakistan's aggression on India, during the conflict with Pakistan, it was revealed to us that America had established in Pakistan a U-2 base in Sargodha. I would like to know whether such an air base is still continuing in Pakistan and, if so, whether any protest has been lodged with the U.S. Government?

Shri Swaran Singh: The House is no doubt aware that Pakistan has been a member of CENTO and SEATO; and these are the organisations which have the support of the United States of America, both political and military. Apart from that, Pakistan acquired a

large quantity of generic equipment of various types from the United States of America under the United States-Pakistan mutual defence aid programme. About the existence of observation base in Pakistan, it is a well-known fact, and it has been mentioned from time to time; it is not for us to lodge a protest to the United States Government about this. About their general supply of equipment to Pakistan we have been raising this matter again and again with the United States Government.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** My question was this: it was revealed to us that there was a U-2 base in Pakistan, in Sargodha. Our information may be thoroughly wrong. But I want to know whether this was true and if so, whether any protest has been lodged with USA not to have bases in Pakistan which is an unfriendly act towards us.

**Shri Swaran Singh:** I have no information about the U-2 base being at Sargodha.

श्री आर्च करनेन्डीज जो नये बसेज के बारे में मीने पूछा था उसके बारे में प्रश्नकारों ने ऐसी खबरें भी रखी हैं कि हर साल पाकिस्तान सरकार को 750 करोड़ रु०, यानी जो हमारा डिफेंस बजट है उतनी रकम अमरीका सरकार एक बस के लिये किराया देने वाली है, और इस बस का इस्तेमाल हिन्दुस्तान, सीसीन और घास पास के देशों में जासूसी करने के लिये किया जायेगा। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या भारत सरकार ने कम से कम प्रश्नकारों में पढ़ने के बाद कि हिन्दुस्तान में स्पाइग एक्टिविटीज के लिये उसका इस्तेमाल किया जायेगा, अमरीका सरकार से इसके बारे में कोई बुलासा मांगा है। दूसरी बात यह कि पिछले तीन चार दिनों से विल्ली में आई० ए० एफ० के अफतरो और कर्मचारियों की जो गिरफ्तारियां हो रही हैं उनके बारे में क्या सरकार बुलासा करेगी कि क्या-क्या खबरें आईं० ए० एफ० के द्वारा अमरीकी सेना के द्वारा और सम्भवतः पाकिस्तानी हवाई कब्रिस्तान की जासूसी के द्वारा अब तक पाकि-

स्तान को पहुंची हैं और उसके क्या हिन्दुस्तान की सेना को भी बहुत बोझ पहुंचा है ?

**Shri Swaran Singh:** I have already mentioned that the amount that was indicated in the UNI Press report—1 billion dollars a year—appeared to be on the high side. That was my reaction. May be that zeros have made some confusion. I tried to contact the news agency representatives. They themselves were unable to confirm this and they have promised to give me further information. We know that Pakistan is carrying on spying activities in our country, whether they spend this amount or any other amount on it is not a very material thing from my point of view.

About the case in which an official from the Pakistan High Commission and some members of the armed forces belonging to the Air Force are involved, that is a matter which is under investigation in the Home Ministry. If my memory helps me, I think there were some enquiries being made from the Home Minister about that. He is looking into that.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : बाहना और अमरीका दोनों ने इस मामले में पाकिस्तान की हमदाद की है और दोनों जगहों से उनको हवाई जहाज हासिल हुए हैं। मैं मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि सितम्बर के बाद से प्रापवा क्या कोई ऐसा मिल देश है जो प्रापवा इस मामले में हमदाद कर रहा है, या सिर्फ़ मिल के ऊपर ही प्राप धरोसा कर रहे हैं ?

श्री स्वर्ण सिंह : सब से बड़ी बात तो यह है कि हम अपने प्राप पर धरोसा कर रहे हैं और देश में ही अपने हवाई जहाज बना रहे हैं जो कि हमारी एयरफोर्स में इस्तेमाल हो रहे हैं। इसके अलावा प्राप जानते हैं कि मिल से हमको हवाई जहाज नहीं मिल सकते हैं। हमारे और भी जराय हैं जहा से हमें एयर फोर्स के लिए एयरक्राफ्ट मिल रहे हैं।

**Shri Shivajiro S. Deshmukh:** The recent history of the West Asian conflict is a witness to the fact that within the first 2-1/2 hours of the conflict,

the Israeli air force could put out of action the entire Arab forces by the use of magnetic bombs and interference with their radar system. There are already broad indications to the effect that the same facilities are being afforded by the American armed personnel to Pakistan. In view of this, do the Government of India propose to investigate how far our air force, landed army and anti-aircraft machinery can be geared up to meet this threat?

**Shri Swaran Singh:** I have already answered partly this question. About the second part, it is our constant effort always to review our defence potential.

**Shri Shivajirao S. Deshmukh:** What is the answer to the first part?

**श्री कलराम बबोकर :** यह रिपोर्टस लगातार आ रही हैं कि पाकिस्तान को चीन की ओर से कुछ मिस्र के स्पेकट्रम हवाई जहाजों के विधे गये हैं। साथ ही यह भी रिपोर्टस आ रही हैं कि पाकिस्तान रूस के साथ भी बहा से घसलाह लेने के लिए बातचीत कर रहा है और रूस का एटिचूड भी पहले की अपेक्षा उसके प्रति कुछ सहानुभूतिपूर्ण और हेलपफुल है। इसके साथ ही यह भी जानकारी मिल रही है कि पाकिस्तान के स्कू के पास नया हवाई भंडा कायम किया है जहा से हमारा श्रीनगर भी सीधी मार में आ जाता है और उसका डाइरेक्ट हवाई लिंक चीन के सिनयांग में जो हवाई भंडा बनाया है उससे हो जाता है। इन सब सूचनाओं के होते हुए, और इनका कोई कंटेन्डिशन नही हुआ है, मैं पूछना चाहता हूँ कि क्या यह सूचनाएँ ठीक हैं, और यदि ठीक हैं तो इनके प्रतिकार के लिए सरकार ने क्या पग उठाए है ?

**Shri Swaran Singh:** It is a fact that China has already supplied MIG 19 aircraft to Pakistan. They do not make any secret of it. They actually flew them at the time of their parade demonstrating the Chinese tanks and Chinese aircraft to their people, and that is a fact which is known to us.

The second part of the question is about their efforts to get military equipment from the Soviet Union. So far we have not got any information which might create this authentic news or information that Soviet Union has supplied any military equipment so far to Pakistan. There is no such report yet. It is true that Pakistan Government is making efforts to improve the air facilities at Skardu. We know that situation, we are also conscious of the risk involved and we are taking some counter measures.

**श्री क० ना० तिवारी :** क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि पाकिस्तान के पास कितनी एयर स्ट्रेंथ है और उनके पास जो सोफिस्टिकेटेड एयर फाइलिंग है वह किस किस टाइप के हैं ?

**Shri Swaran Singh:** It is a matter of detail.

**Shri Indrajit Gupta:** In his original reply to part (a) of the question the hon. Minister stated very categorically that Pakistan's air strength was now in excess of what it was in September, 1965. He was very clear about that and therefore I presume he has got definite information. May I know from him whether this raising of their air strength above the September, 1965 level is due only to replenishment of their air force strengthen from Chinese sources of MIG-19 that he referred to or whether there are other sources also from which they are definitely known to have secured sufficient planes not only to recoup the loss which was inflicted on them in that conflict but also to build up excess strength; if so, what are those sources?

**Shri Swaran Singh:** In this representation I have reckoned the 90 aircraft that were obtained ostensibly by Iran from Germany but later on found their way into Pakistan. I have already said that whether they are actually in Pakistan....

**Shri Indrajit Gupta:** You do not know whether those planes are actually in Pakistan or not.

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** Some of them are actually in Pakistan. Even if they are not in Pakistan, I have to proceed on that basis that they will be available to Pakistan at the crucial time.

**श्रीमती लक्ष्मिकाशाम्मा:** May I know whether Government has made any efforts to convince America that the massive aid given to Pakistan will make its way to China and ultimately instead of containing China it will help her designs?

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** I feel, Sir that the United States of America know the interplay of these forces much better and they do not depend on any explanation or any convincing on my part.

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** We have information that up to September, 1965 the value of American equipments supplied to Pakistan was in the region of 1700 million dollars and it included napalm bombs and missile-fitted aircrafts. Will the Defence Minister kindly tell us the present position with regard to the value of items received by Pakistan.

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** I have no information though I think it is a highly exaggerated figure.

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** Sir, on a point of order. This is from a statement made by the Defence Minister on the floor of this House on 19th June this year in reply to an unstarred question.

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** Are you referring to the position before 1965 or after 1965?

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** This is the value of the equipments that Americans have supplied to Pakistan up to September, 1965. I can place the press cutting on the Table if it is so desired.

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** Is the hon. Member asking for information up to 1965 or after 1965?

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** Upto 1965

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** I think he is correct. I thought he was asking about or referring to the position after 1965.

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** I am still within my rights to ask that question. What is the value of the supplies received after 1965?

**Mr. Speaker:** You have first asked the figures up to 1965. Now this is a separate question.

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** What is the value of the items received till today and what are the new items?

**Mr. Speaker:** That is a separate question. First you asked the position upto 1965. Now you want to extend it to the position after 1965.

**श्री ज्योतिरमोय बासु:** Up to 1965 I have given the figure myself, 1500 million to 1700 million dollars. What is the addition to it till today and what are the items added to the list?

**श्री स्वराज सिंह:** I have no information.

श्री प्रबुल गनी वार - वजीर साहब ने एक सवाल के जवाब में फरमाया है कि कुछ एयर फोर्स के अफसरों के खिलाफ होम मिनिस्ट्री इनक्वायरी कर रही है। क्या वजीर साहब बतायेंगे कि वे कितने अफसर हैं जिनके खिलाफ होम मिनिस्ट्री किसी खास केस में इनक्वायरी कर रही है? साथ ही मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि अग्नि को ऐसा खतरा पैदा न हो कि हमें किसी भी अफसर के खिलाफ इनक्वायरी करनी पड़े, इसके लिए सरकार क्या कर रही है? अभी तक तो यह इन्जाम ही है, मंच यह साबित नहीं हुआ है।

क्या डिफेंस मिनिस्टर साहब ने कोई ऐसा इन्जाम भी किया है जब कि वह जानते हैं कि अमरीका वहाँ अपना बहुत काम कर रहा है, चीन उनको मदद दे रहा है रशिया की कुछ उनकी तरफ निगाहें कर्न हो रही है ताकि अगर हमला हो जाए तो

हम उसका जवाब दे सकें? क्या इसके बारे में कोई संज्ञाप लीया है ?

شری عبدالغنی دالر : وزیر صاحب نے ایک سوال کے جواب میں فرمایا ہے کہ کچھ ایسے فورس کے افسروں کے خلاف ہوم منسٹری انکوائری کر رہی ہے۔ کینڈ وزیر صاحب بتائیں گے کہ وہ کتنے افسر ہیں جن کے خلاف ہوم منسٹری کسی خاص کیس میں انکوائری کر رہی ہے ساتھ ہی میں جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ آگے کو ایسا خطہ پیدا نہ ہو کہ ہمیں کسی بھی افسر کے خلاف انکوائری کرنی پڑے۔ اس نے لئے سوچا گیا کہ وہی ہے۔ ابھی تک تو یہ الزام ہی ہے۔ سچ ثابت نہیں ہوا ہے۔

کہا تلفس منسٹر صاحب نے کوئی ایسا انتظام بھی کیا ہے جب کہ وہ یہ جانتے ہیں کہ امریکہ وہاں ایسا ایڈ قائم کر رہا ہے۔ چون ان کو مدد دے دیا ہوں۔ رشیا کی ان کی طرف تباہی کر رہی ہے تاکہ اگر حملہ ہو جائے تو ہم اس کا جواب دے سکیں۔ کہا اس کے بارے میں کوئی انتظام سوچا ہے۔

Mr. Speaker: Every question is so involved that it does not look like a question at all. We have already spent about 40 minutes on this one question.

Shri Swaran Singh: We feel greatly concerned that citizens of our own country should be so unpatriotic as to convey information of this nature for a paltry amount. That is a subject matter for investigation; I would not like to go into the matter. We have been greatly concerned about it and we have taken several corrective measures to tighten up the security measures.

#### Pension Cases of Armed Personnel

\*1223. Shri Ram Kishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unusual delay is involved in the preparation of pension cases of armed personnel; and

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to expedite the preparation of pension cases?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) Normally, no unusual delay is involved in the preparation of pension cases of Armed Forces personnel.

(b) Orders have been issued enjoining upon all officers dealing with pension claims that they shall do everything in their power to prevent or reduce to the utmost possible extent, delays in the grant of pension. Specific cases of delay which come to notice, are investigated and remedial measures are taken.

Shri Ram Kishan Gupta: May I know the least and the longest time required to finalise pension cases?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: Normally the rule says that all pension cases may be finalised two months before the actual date of retirement. But, in some cases, because of the documentation not being ready or some other reason, some time is taken. The last sample survey shows that 50 per cent of the cases are finalised before the total number of cases in a year were date of retirement.

Shri Ram Kishan Gupta: May I know how many cases are pending?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: For example, the last census taken was on 31st March 1966 when an analysis of about 3,000 pending cases was made and that showed that only 9 per cent of the total number of cases in a year were in arrears.

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