

LOK SABHA

Tuesday, March 21, 1967/Phalguna 30,  
1888 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the  
Clock

[Mr. SPEAKER in the Chair]

MEMBERS SWORN

Shri M. Muhammad Ismail (Man-  
jeri)

Shri Amiya Nath Bose (Aram-  
bagh)

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Mr. Speaker: Questions. Shri D. C  
Sharma. Shri Yash Pal Singh.

**श्री यशपाल सिंह :** अध्यक्ष महोदय,  
बार बार खड़े होने की आपने कोई आवश्यकता  
नहीं है। आप बैठे बैठे ही नाम पुकारा करे।  
हमारे संविधान में भी यही है और यही  
परम्परा भी चली आ रही है।

प्रश्न ५६५५।

Indo-Pak Air Services

\*19. Shri Yashpal Singh:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Tourism and  
Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan's proposal for  
an official level meeting to consider  
restoration of the air services between  
the two countries has been consider-  
ed;

(b) if so, the results thereof; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

The Minister of Tourism and Civil  
Aviation (Dr. Karan Singh): (a) to  
(c). The question of restoration of  
air services between India and Pakis-

tan is still in the stage of discussion  
through diplomatic channels along  
with some other matters relating to  
normalisation of relations between  
the two countries.

**श्री यशपाल सिंह :** क्या इस बात की  
कोई भूझटी ली जाएगी कि हमारी टैरिटरी  
के ऊपर उड़ करके पश्चिमी पाकिस्तान से  
कोई डिफेंस परपज के लिए सामान पूर्बो  
पाकिस्तान में न जा सके ?

डा० कर्ण सिंह : जी हा।

**श्री यशपाल सिंह :** प्रेक्टीकल कदम क्या  
उठायेगे। क्या गारंटी होगी कि इस में मिलिटरी  
परपज के लिए सामान जा रहा है या नहीं जा  
रहा है ?

Dr. Karan Singh: This matter is  
under close consideration.

**श्री हुकूम खान कल्लुवाय :** यह जो सेवा  
प्रारम्भ की जाएगी क्या इस में कुछ शर्तें भी  
रखी जाएंगी ताकि पाकिस्तान की ओर से  
कोई कठिनाई यात्रियों के लिए पैदा न हो ?

डा० कर्ण सिंह : जब यह एग्रीमेंट हो  
जाएगा तो जाहिर है कि उस में इस किस्म की  
शर्तें दोनों तरफ से रख जायेंगी।

**श्री श्रींकार लाला बेरवा :** इस सेवा को  
चालू करने के लिए प्रस्ताव क्या भारत सरकार  
ने रखा था या पाकिस्तान सरकार ने या दोनों  
ने रखा था ? इसका जो खर्चा बनीरह है वह  
कौन वहन करेगा ?

डा० कर्ण सिंह : ताशकंद एग्रीमेंट के  
तहत यह सवाल उठा था और दोनों देशों के  
बीच बातचीत हो रही है। जहां तक खर्च  
का सवाल है दोनों देशों के ऊपर पड़ेगा।

श्री बोंकार लाल बेरवा : पहले प्रस्ताव किस ने रखा था ? यह तो ठीक है कि ताशकंद समझौते के तहत यह हो रहा है । लेकिन पहले इसका प्रस्ताव आपने किया था या पाकिस्तान ने किया था ?

डा० कर्ण सिंह : ताशकंद समझौते के तहत बहुत सी बातचीत हुई है । उसके दौरान मैं यह बात भी उठी थी ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : नैफ्ट क्वेश्चन ।

श्री हुसैन खान कश्वाय : अध्यक्ष महोदय इसका खुलासा नहीं हुआ है । प्रस्ताव पहले किस ने रखा था, मुझसे पहले किस ने दिया था, भारत ने दिया था या पाकिस्तान ने दिया था ?

#### National Food Budget

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- \*20. Shri H. N. Mukerjee:  
Shri Indrajit Gupta:  
Shri C. C. Desai:  
Dr. Karni Singh:  
Shri C. Janardhanan:  
Shri P. C. Adichan:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the centre has prepared a national food policy and a national food budget;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) the concrete steps being taken to implement them?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasaheb Shinde): (a) to (c). In the context of present food shortage the food policy has been one of maximising procurement and distribution of foodgrains obtained through procurement and from imports through rationing and other forms of government distribution; keeping the unsocial activities of foodgrains traders under check through a system of licensing; restricting the movement of foodgrains

within the country within zonal boundaries in an effort to help government procurement of foodgrains and keeping a check on open market prices by isolating the points of heavy draws; ensuring reasonable prices to the producers of foodgrains, etc. The policy will be reviewed again by Government in the light of the conclusions emerging from Chief Ministers' Conference to be held early next month.

A National Food Budget is under preparation and will be finalized after the Chief Ministers' Conference.

Shri H. N. Mukerjee: Pending the implementation of the somewhat pompous statement placed by the Minister, may I know if any interim measures have been adopted by Government or are in the process of being adopted to solve such a situation as that which has arisen in Bihar where impossible conditions appear to prevail at the present time?

Shri Annasaheb Shinde: As far as the hon. Member's question in regard to Bihar is concerned, we are trying to see that the largest possible quantities are supplied to Bihar; and during the current month we are supplying about 1,78,000 tonnes of foodgrains to Bihar. Last month also, quite a substantial quantity was supplied to Bihar.

An hon. Member: What about Kerala?

Shri Annasaheb Shinde: If Members ask State-wise, it will be very difficult for me.

Mr. Speaker: He need not answer that. He need only answer the question put.

Shri Annasaheb Shinde: The hon. Member Shri H. N. Mukerjee is a very senior Member of this House. I should say in all humility that the main question relates to a national food budget while the hon. Member is going into details in regard to a particular State.