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LOK SABHA

Saturday, August 18, 1962/Sravana 27, 1884 (Saka).

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair].

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Mr. Speaker: The House will now take up questions. Shri Banerjee.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Question No. 403. Sir, question No. 428 may also be taken up along with this.

Mr. Speaker: Yes. It also relates to Phizo.

Situation in Nagaland

*403. Shri S. M. Banerjee:

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Will the **Prime Minister** be <u>pleased</u> to state:

- (a) whether the activities of Naga rebels have increased after the visit of Mr. Phizo to Pakistan; and
- (b) if so, whether Pakistan has some hand in these hostile activities of Naga rebels?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri S. C. Jamir): (a) The activities the Naga hostiles have been generally on the decrease due to the pressure exerted by our Security Forces.

(b) The Government have no definite information.

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Phizo

Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri B. K. Das:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
Shri P. C. Borooah;
Shri Tridib Kumar
Chauduhri:
Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri M. K. Kumaran:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri R. N. Reddi:

Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

Shri Ram Ratan Gupta:

- (a) whether Government have any authentic information about the present whereabouts of the fugitive Naga leader A. Z. Phizo;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Mr. Phizo secured an American visa in London in July; and
- (c) whether Government have acquainted British and U.S. Governments with the anti-national activities of Mr. Phizo?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri S. C. Jamir): (a) The Government have no authentic information but there have been unconfirmed reports that Phizo had proceeded to the U.S.A.

- (b) Phizo was granted a visa for the U.S.A. on the 25th June, 1962, by the American Embassy in the U.K.
- (c) Our views have been made known to the British and United States Governments through our Missions.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: I want to know whether it is a fact that Phizo, during his stay in Pakistan, assured the Naga

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rebels that some of the Western Powers have assured him that the question of Nagaland will be raised in U.N.O.

Shri S. C. Jamir: We do not have any such information.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know whether any reply has been received from the American Government as to their considered opinion and whether they confirm that his activities are anti-national and that he should be given no weightage there?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): The reply of which Government?

Shri S. M. Banerjee: I want to know whether we have made known our views to the U.S. Government that his activities were anti-social and anti-national and that we have confirmed reports that he is there. If so, what is their reaction? Will they still help Phizo?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: Our views in regard to this matter have, in the past, been stated fully to the U.S. Government informally through Ambassadors. There is no question of writing and getting a reply. I cannot, at the moment, say what they said in reply.

श्री प्रकाश वीर श स्त्री: क्या मैं जान सकता है कि सरकार को इस बात की जान-कारी है कि फीजो ने भारत की राष्ट्रीयता छोड़ कर किसी इसरे देश की नागरिकता ग्रब्ल्यार कर ली है? यदि हां, तो पहले सर-कार ने उस को पकड़ने के लिये जो १०,००० रु० के ईनाम की घोषणा की थी वह जारी है या उस को स्थिगत कर दिया गया है?

श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू: जो माननीय सदस्य का पहला सवाल था उसके बारे में मुझे मालूम है कि वह यूनाइटेड किंगडम के नागरिक हो गये हैं, भारत के नागरिक नहीं रहे। लेकिन फीजो के खिलाफ जो वारण्ट था वह प्रभी जारी है। उसके प्रन्दर जिस ईनाम का ऐलान किया गया था वह है या नहीं, यह मैं नहीं कह सकता। लेकिन वारंट जारी है।

Shri Hem Barua: May I know if it is a fact that Gen Khaito, the self-styled Commander of the Naga Hostile Forces in Pakistan, has left for U.K. in spite of the U.K. Immigration Act? If so, may I know whether Government have ascertained from the Pakistan Government if the Pakistan Government helped him to go there?

Mr. Speaker: That would be quite a different question.

Shri Hem Barua: May I submit that this question is related to the first question. It may have nothing to do with....

Mr. Speaker: The first question relates to Phizo and not to another individual.

Shri Hem Barua: No, no. The second one relates to Phizo. Part (b) is,

'If so, whether Pakistan has some hand in these hostile activities of Naga rebels?'

This question arises from that.

Mr. Speaker: If the hon. Prime Minister is prepared to answer I have no objection.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: No, Sir; we have no information.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Sir, question No. 428 may also be taken together with this.

Mr. Speaker: That has been taken up and answered.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know if there have been any surrenders on the part of the Naga rebels during the last month or two?

Shri S. C. Jamir: Yes, Sir; 39 surrenders were there during the last few months.

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: Since Phizo has acquired the citizenship of the United Kingdom what locus standi has he to roam about in western countries and speak about Nagaland?

Oral Answers

Shri S. C. Jamir: He has no authority on behalf of the Nagas because he is now a British citizen.

Shri Daji: In view of the fact that Phizo is carrying on anti-Indian propaganda have we taken some positive steps to make our feelings known to the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States and see that they prevent him from using their country for this purpose?

Shri S. C. Jamir: We have already made our feelings known to them.

Shri Daii: Somethnig more positive than feelings.

Mr. Speaker: If feelings are positive or not, that is a matter of opinion.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: The hon. Prime Minister stated that there was a warrant pending against Phizo. What steps are being taken to see that he is handed over to us and arrested?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: No steps are being taken in regard to that.

Shri Basumatari: May I know whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to reports that four Naga rebels went to the U.N.O.?

Shri S. C. Jamir: Except the newspaper reports, we have no information.

Concentration of Pak. Troops on N. Bengal Border +

Shri Prakash Vir Shastri: Shri P. R. Chakraverti: Shri Bhakt Darshan: Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah: Shri Raghunath Singh:

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Shri Tridib Kumar
Chaudhuri:

| Shri Yashpal Singh: | Shri Himatsingka:

| Shri Himatsingka: | Shri D. C. Sharma:

Shri D. C. Sharma: Shri Sarkar Murmu:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been concentration of Pak. troops around and close to the Indian villages in north Bengal—Banagram, Durrerjote, Nayabasti, Daikhan and Bawanpur;
- (b) whether Pakistan Government have set up observation posts and have dug trenches thereby converting areas contiguous to Indian borders into a war-field; and
- (c) if so, whether Government have given diplomatic warning to the Pakistan Government to bring home to them the consequential dangers to peace?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) and (b). Reports about the deployment of additional contingents of East Pakistan Rifles in the border areas in Rangour and Dinajpur districts in East Pakistan, contiguous to Jalpaiguri and Cooch-Behar tricts of West Bengal, have been received. Reports about some trenches being dug in some villages adioining Natwari-Nawabgani, opposite PS Kotwali District Jalpaiguri, have been received.

(c) West Bengal Government have protested to East Pakistan Government about concentration of East Pakistan Rifles in Daikhata and Natwari-Nawabganj areas. The Deputy High Commissioner of India at Dacca has also lodged a protest with about Government of East Pakistan the encroachment made by the East Pakistan Rifles personnel on Indian territory at Daikhata and about concentration of Pakistani forces the area. The West Bengal Government lodged their protest on the 9th July while the Deputy High Commissioner portested on the 19th There has been no reply to either of these protest Notes, from the Government of Pakistan.

श्री प्रकाश बीर शास्त्री: इन विरोध-पत्रों ने भेजन के बावजद भी शांतिस्तान की श्रीर से भारतीय सीमाओं पर, जैसा कि कल प्रधान मन्त्री जी ने भी दूसरे प्रध्न के उत्तर में बतलाया था, श्राज सैनिक जमाव चलता जा रहा है