

Shri Harish Chandra
Máthur:
Shri D. D. Puri:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Tridib Kumar
Chaudhuri:
Shri S. N. Chaturvedi:
Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:
Shri Bishwanath Roy:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Sivamurthi Swamy:
Dr. Saradish Roy:
Dr. Ranen Sen:
Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:
Shri Mohan Swarup:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of **External Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether our territorial dispute with China was discussed with the Colombo Powers, jointly or individually, assembled at Cairo during the non-aligned Conference, apart from placing the matter on the agenda of the Conference; and

(b) if so, the outcome thereof?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri Swaran Singh): (a) As there was a general understanding even at the preparatory meeting of the Non-aligned Conference, there was no question of placing the India-China border dispute on the agenda of the Conference. Nor was this dispute specifically discussed by the Prime Minister in his informal talks with some of the Heads of States of the Colombo Conference countries during the period of the Cairo Conference. Prior to the opening of the Non-aligned Conference the Prime Minister had general discussions on various important matters with the President of the United Arab Republic in which this subject figured among others.

(b) There has been no change in the situation. China continues to disregard the Colombo proposals.

M.I.Gs from U.S.S.R.

Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
Shri Jagdev Singh
Siddhanti:
*6. { Shri Naval Prabhakar:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
Shri Gulshan:
Shri Vishram Prasad:
Shri Bagri:

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any delivery schedule is available for the MIG-21 aircraft to be supplied by U.S.S.R. under the August 1962 agreement and the agreement concluded during his recent visit to Moscow; and

(b) if so, when the first consignment is likely to be received?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) and (b). Six MIG aircraft arrived in India in the first half of 1963. Two of them have since crashed. It is regretted that the information regarding the number of aircraft which the USSR has agreed to supply and the dates of their delivery cannot be disclosed in the public interest.

Manufacture of MIG-21

*7. { Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:
Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee:
Shri D. D. Puri:
Shri B. K. Das:
Shri M. L. Jadhav:

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made upto date in the manufacture of MIG-21 in India; and

(b) whether the manufacturing programme of MIG-21 is going on according to schedule?

The Minister of Defence Production in the Ministry of Defence (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) The training of personnel and civil construction programme of the MIG Factories is progressing satisfactorily.

(b) Various steps necessary for setting up manufacture of MIG aircraft have been taken up and are proceeding according to the plan.

Autonomy to Hill Districts of Assam

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 Shri P. C. Borooah:
 Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
 Shri Vishram Prasad:
 Shri Bagri:
 Shri Sarjoo Pandey:
 Shri H. C. Soy:
 Shri Hem Raj:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to reply given to Starred Question No. 315 on the 21st September, 1964 and state:

(a) whether the Commission which was proposed to be constituted to go into the question of granting further autonomy to the hill districts in Assam has since been set up; and

(b) if so, its composition and precise terms of reference?

The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) and (b). The matter is still under consideration.

Committees in the Ministry of I. & B.

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 Shri R. G. Dubey:
 Shri Yashpal Singh:
 Shri Daljit Singh:
 Shri Surendranath
 Dwivedy:
 Shri R. Barua:
 Shri R. S. Pandey:
 Shri Kishen Pattanayak:

Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision has been taken to abolish 48 out of the 72 Committees attached to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting;

(b) whether there is any proposal to further scrutinise and reduce the remaining committees; and

(c) the nature of work allotted to these Committees?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shrimati Indira Gandhi): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir, with reference to the Committees attached to the A.I.R. Stations the review of which is now in progress.

(c) A statement showing the names and functions of the twenty-four committees which will remain in existence is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-3356/64] The composition and functions of these Committees is now under review in the light of the allied Committees having been disbanded or merged.

Chinese Concentration near Sino-Indian Border

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 Shri Vishram Prasad:
 Shri Hem Barua:
 Shri Bagri:
 Shri P. C. Borooah:
 Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
 Shri S. N. Chaturvedi:
 Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
 Shri Omkar Singh:
 Shri Kajrolkar:
 Shri Gulshan:
 Shri B. K. Das:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that China has started massive troop concentration along the entire Sino-Indian border and never since Chinese aggression of 1962, China has made such massive movement directed against India; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines of the situation?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) and (b). While the Chinese build-up all along the Sino-Indian border continues and is heavier than what it was in October 1962, no reports have come to the effect that China has recently increased substantially concentration of troops on the border.