Raid by Pakistanis

*146. Shri Liladhar Kotoki: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some Pakistani nationals from Tetulia in East Pakistan trespassed into the Indian territory under Rajoungle Police Station the 3rd April, 1962 and seriously assaulted two Indian citizens;
- (b) whether during the last few months the Indian territory in the Indo-Pak border of Jalpaiguri district has been subjected to frequent trespasses by Pakistani miscreants stealing cattle and other properties; and
- (c) what steps Government propose to take to prevent such incidents?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) Yes Sir, An incident occurred under Raigani Police Station on the 3rd April, 1962, involving assault on Indian nationals by Pakistani intruders.

- (b) Some incidents of cattle lifting and other cases of theft have reported in recent months from the eastern border, including the West Bengal East Pakistan border of Jalpaiguri district.
- (c) Such incidents are dealt with by the border police and district officials in terms of the Ground Rules.

Shri Liladhar Kotoki: May I know whether any of the cattle or property stolen by the Pakistani nationals during this incident have since been recovered?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: In this particular incident, no cattle taken away, although they tried to.

Shri Hem Barua: I know that it is difficult to defend the entire long border. But then there are certain vulnerable points in the border. Do Government propose to hand over these vulnerable points in the Indo-Pakistan border to the Army instead of leaving them to the local policesecurity forces—so as to avoid incidents of this sort.

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Ato-Engergy (Shri Jawaharlai Nehru): Normally in the border, the Army is kept in the background. It is called when necessary. It does not do normal patrol duties, to prevent cattle-lifting and such things.

 It is not supposed to be the duty of the army. The army is available if any serious incident takes place.

श्री प्रिय गुप्त: गांव में किसका डयटी होता है ?

Shri Daji: Will the Government consider giving compensation in such cases where cattle is lifted or a man is kidnapped to the family of the man concerned or the person whose cattle has been lifted as a moral duty?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: Would that apply to any theft or dacoity or anything in India?

Shri Priya Gupta: It cannot be compared to dacoity.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. Everybody should not try to speak. Shrimati Renu Chakravartty.

Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: view of the fact that some very serious events have taken place on the eastern border between East Pakistan and West Bengal and in view of the fact that even in demarcation nationals, their materials and maps etc., are being taken away, I would like to know whether there has been an enquiry by the Central Government as to the exact nature of these incidents and as to the way in which we can further help in stopping these intrusions which have led to very serious results in certain other cases.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: If the hon. Member refers to a general enquiry into the nature, I do not think any such enquiry has been made, but each incident is enquired into. I do know if there is a common factor in all these incidents to join them together. One must distinguish between two types of incidents: one, which might be considered to be very objectionable, are incidents of a political kind, or in which some kind of assistance or encouragement is given politically: the other type is just pure theft, dacoity, cattle-lifting etc., which takes place within the country, too, but only does not draw our tion because it is an internal matter. But it is always much easier to do it on an international border people can come and go away. They are not serious in a political sense, but naturally where they occur, they do harm and injury to the people concerned.

Shri Hem Barua: On a point of order, Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Point of order?

Shri Hem Barua: Yes. The hon. Prime Minister has said that cases of cattle-lifting and such incidents occur in our country also. My own humble submission is this, that when he says like that, that might be an encouragement to the Pakitanis living on the border to commit more such things.

Shri Tyagi: What is the point of order?

Shri Hem Barua: I will come to

Mr. Speaker: That should be left to me when I have to answer it, when he is putting it to me.

Shri Hem Barua: That might be an indirect encouragement to Pakistanis living near our border. In matters of this kind I find always that the Prime Minister behaves like an umpire in a cricket match rather than as one whose interests are involved.

Mr. Speaker: I am really sorry. There is no point of order involved.

Shri Hem Barua: I have not finished.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. If any encouragement is to be apprehended,

that perhaps might be given by his statement and not by what the Prime Minister has said. Next question.

भी रचुनाच सिंह: भ्रष्टमक्ष महोदय, हमने सवाल नम्बर १४८ को पूछने के लिए नो.टेस दिया है। उसको ले दिया जाए।

Mr. Speaker: I have already said that I will go by the list, in the order in which they are printed. I would not take any question out of its place.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: I want to submit this about the question regarding the death of the D.I.G. Police. It is a very important question and some Members have given calling attention notices.

Mr. Speaker: I have allowed so many questions.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Sir, I am referring to question No. 158, to which Shri Raghunath Singh referred. It is very important and there are some Members who have given calling attention notices.

Mr. Speaker: It may be very important; but others also are important. Once we have decided that we will go by the order in which they are printed, no question of out of turn arises. Next question.

Survey by Tea Board

*147. Shri Bishan Chandra Seth: Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Tea Board has conducted a survey of tea consumed by the people;
- (b) if so, whether the statistical data has been forwarded to Government;
- (c) whether the survey has been conducted throughout the country; and