

covered the requisition made by the Government there?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: Not entirely; we only give half of the expenditure in any particular scheme.

Shri Jhulan Sinha: May I know if the Government is satisfied that the amount granted by the Central Government was properly spent on the scheme for which it was intended?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: Yes. The amount that has been sanctioned, as is mentioned in the statement, was Rs. 24,42£ and it has been utilised on the scheme for which it was intended. We have received progress reports and there is no reason for us to believe that the amount has been spent in ways other than in the manner indicated.

BORDER RAIDS

*1391. **Shri Radha Raman:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state the decision taken at the Conference of the Indian and Pakistan Police Officers held at Barmer recently for checking the border raids?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shri Anil K. Chanda): A conference of Police officers of India and Pakistan was held at Barmer on the 5th and the 6th December 1953. The following is a summary of some of the important decisions reached at the conference for checking border raids:—

1. Meetings of high level Police officers of the border States should be held more frequently to review the implementation of their joint decisions and to discuss the situation on the border from time to time.

2. For administrative convenience, the border between West Pakistan and Rajasthan and Kutch should be divided roughly into four sectors and meetings of the border Police officers of the two sides should be held periodically in each sector to maintain close and effective liaison between them.

3. Information should be exchanged between the two sides in regard to bad characters and criminal gangs operating on the border and, even though it was primarily the responsibility of the Police of the area concerned to take action against those criminals, there should be effective co-operation between the Police of the two sides in the matter and

4. Police forces along the border should be instructed not to cross the border under any circumstances, without the permission of the authorities on the other side.

Shri Radha Raman: Since this decision was taken, may I know how many meetings have been held in the different sectors?

Shri Anil K. Chanda: In this particular sector, the first meeting was held in October, 1950. For a long time, owing to certain difficulties, meetings could not be held. The next meeting, that is the second meeting, was held in December, 1953.

Shri Radha Raman: May I know how many border raids were reported during the last year and what action Government have taken in regard to them?

Shri Anil K. Chanda: Border raids along this sector, or all along?

Shri Radha Raman: Yes; along this sector.

Shri Anil K. Chanda: I have not got the information at present. There were not many as far as my information goes.

TELE-COMMUNICATIONS

*1393. **Shri S. C. Samanta:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign-trained officers who are working under the Central Standing Committee for Co-ordination of Power and Tele-Communication Lines to deal with problems of inductive co-ordination;

(b) the number of cases of individual conflict between various power systems