

handgrenades and mortars having been used has been verified?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I believe that some mortars were used. It is rather difficult to say what all weapons were used, but it is possible that automatic weapons were used.

**Shri S. N. Das:** May I know, Sir, whether the strength of the Pakistani Police that took part in this firing has been estimated or ascertained?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** No, Sir, I do not know exactly the strength on either side. They are the normal border police on both sides.

**Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:** Does the Prime Minister mean to convey that the firing was confined only to uninhabited areas?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I stated that the firing, so far as we know, was not directed to any inhabited area. It is a possibility that some stray bullets might have gone elsewhere.

**Shri V. G. Deshpande:** What steps do Government propose to take to deal with this kind of attitude on the part of the Pakistan Government? Do they propose to take a firmer attitude or just to make a statement that Pakistan is doing these things?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. I do not think that question arises from the statement made.

**Shri Gidwani:** What about my Adjournment Motion, Sir?

**Mr. Speaker:** I was just going to decide that and say that, in view of the statement, there is no occasion practically to discuss any further any Adjournment Motion. I was going to say that, but in the meanwhile Mr. Deshpande put in a question.

पंक्ति जलनू राय शास्त्री : क्या में एक प्रश्न पूछ सकता हूँ ?

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## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

### PORTS IN KUTCH

\*180. **Shri C. R. Iyyann:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) how much money has been allotted for the development of ports in Kutch;

(b) how much has been spent on each; and

(c) how much remain to be spent?

**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** (a) Apart from the provision of Rs. 12.95 crores for the development of Kandla Port, in Kutch, the Five Year Plan includes a provision of Rs. 13.4 lakhs for improvements to the minor ports in Kutch.

(b) Upto end of 1951-52, Rs. 1.45 crores had been spent on Kandla Port and Rs. 1.09 lakhs on the minor ports.

(c) Rs. 11.5 crores on Kandla and Rs. 12.31 lakhs on the minor ports.

### COCHIN HARBOUR

\*181. **Shri C. R. Iyyann:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether any amount has been spent for the development of the Cochin Harbour in 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53; and

(b) whether it is a fact that considerable difficulties are experienced there for want of sufficient wharfing accommodation when shipping is heavy?

**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** (a) Yes. Rs. 8.90 lakhs was spent during 1950-51 and Rs. 26.10 lakhs during 1951-52. A sum of Rs. 43.76 lakhs has been provided in the budget for 1952-53.

(b) No.

### WAGONS

\*192. **Shri Jhulan Saha:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present shortage of wagons on the Indian Railways partly is due to detentions of wagons at junction stations;

(b) if so, the steps taken to eliminate this detention;