

**Missing Aircraft**

157. { **Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:**  
**Shri Hem Barua:**  
**Shri Y. D. Singh:**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 697 on the 23rd March, 1964 and state:

(a) whether the court of inquiry regarding the missing I.A.F. transport aircraft Ilyushin-14 has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, its findings and conclusions?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan):** (a) Yes.

(b) As the report was not complete in all respects, it has been referred back to the Court of Inquiry for clarification of certain points. The final report is awaited.

**Concentration by Chinese and Pakistani Troops**

158. { **Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:**  
**Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:**  
**Shri Gokaran Prasad:**  
**Shri S. M. Banerjee:**  
**Shrimati Jyotsna Chanda:**  
**Shri Hem Raj:**  
**Shri Veerappa:**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chinese and Pakistani troops have recently concentrated on our borders; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to safeguard the frontiers?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan):** (a) Chinese concentration on our borders continues and is now heavier than what it was in November 1962. Pakistani activities on our borders, especially along the cease-fire line and the international border

in J. & K., and certain areas of Assam and Tripura, also continue.

(b) Government have taken all possible steps to safeguard the borders.

**Information Personnel in External Affairs Ministry**

159. **Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the terms and conditions on a permanent tenure basis of the Information Personnel in the External Publicity Division have been finalised by the Ministry of External Affairs; and

(b) whether it is proposed to reserve a certain percentage of posts in Indian Foreign Service for the Personnel in the Information Service of the said Division?

**The Prime Minister, Minister of External Affairs, Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Nanda):** (a) The Government has agreed in principle to the grant of permanency to some of the officers of the Information Service of India. The terms and conditions are in the process of being finalised.

(b) The Indian Foreign Service (Recruitment, Cadre Seniority and Promotion) Rules, 1961, contemplate the reservation of 10 per cent of the Senior Scale and higher posts in the Indian Foreign Service Cadre to be shared between Grade I Officers of the IFS(B) and Officers of the Information Service of India not below the rank of Information Officer of six years standing. This promotion is to be based strictly on merit in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission.

**Dalai Lama's Visit Abroad**

160. **Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Dalai Lama has approached Government for providing facilities to travel abroad;