

आकाशवाणी विभिन्न प्रादेशिक केन्द्रों से अनेक बोलियों में भी समाचार प्रसारित कर रहा है :

पाकिस्तान रेडियो के समाचार

2893. श्री हुकूम चन्द कछवाय : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पाकिस्तान रेडियो से किन-किन भारतीय भाषाओं में कितने प्रसारण होते हैं; और

(ख) कितने-कितने समय तक प्रसारण होता है; तथा तत्सम्बन्धी व्यौरा क्या है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री के० के० आहू) : (क) और (ख). अपेक्षित जानकारी विवरण में दी गई है। जो सदन की सत्र पर रखा गया है। [दस्तावेज में रखा गया। बिलिए संख्या एल० टी० 1849/67]।

EXCHANGE OF DEAD BODIES OF SOLDIERS OF NATHU LA CLASHES

2894. SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR SHAH : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indians and Chinese have exchanged the dead bodies and the arms and ammunitions collected by each side during the recent Nathu La and Cho La clashes on the Indo-Sikkim border;

(b) the total number of dead bodies of Indians handed over each time by the Chinese and the number of dead bodies of Chinese handed over by India;

(c) the nature and extent of arms and ammunition exchanged between the two sides; and

(d) whether the wire fence which was in Nathu La still exists ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : (a) to (c). The Chinese handed over the bodies of 14 Indian soldiers at Nathu La and 5 at

Cho La. Besides, some small arms and ammunition were also returned. As already stated in this House on 20th November 1967, in reply to supplementaries to Starred Question No. 121, there were no bodies of Chinese soldiers, on our side to be handed over.

(d) Yes, Sir.

CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES

2895. SHRI P. MANDAL : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the contacts established with foreign Governments during the Indo-Pak conflict for making them understand Indian point of view, have since then been given up;

(b) if not, how these contacts are being renewed from time to time and whether Indian point of view is now better understood in the world; and

(c) whether Government have any competent body in addition to diplomatic corps and missions abroad to look after this work ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) and (b). Maintenance of contacts with foreign Governments is a continuous process. Our Missions abroad are constantly engaged in correctly projecting India's image and explaining India's view point on all problems including those between India and Pakistan. Visits of foreign leaders and dignitaries to India are also utilised to further explain our policies and view point. Members of government, Parliamentarians and leaders in various walks of life have also during their visits abroad utilised opportunities to promote proper understanding of India's policies.

(c) In many countries there are voluntary friendship societies which help in furthering the general objective of creating a better understanding of India among the public, by organising lectures, exhibitions and cultural programmes etc.