

indigenous and foreign exchange contents separately ;

(d) whether there is any likely delay in the target dates because of construction delays at sites and procurement of equipment from abroad ; and

(e) if so, how much ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

The position in respect of the various TV Stations is indicated below :

(i) SRINAGAR :

The total estimated cost on this project is Rs. 306 lakhs out of which the expenditure incurred so far is Rs. 53.21 lakhs—Rs. 50.18 lakhs in rupees and Rs. 3.03 lakhs in foreign exchange. Work on the construction of studios, transmitter and the road leading to the transmitter site is in progress. Equipment required for the project has been ordered but has not been received. The Station is likely to start functioning in 1972.

(ii) BOMBAY/POONA :

The total cost on Bombay/Poona TV project is estimated at Rs. 336.67 lakhs, out of which equipment worth about Rs. 113 lakhs is to be received as gift from the Government of Federal Republic of Germany under an agreement and part of it has already arrived. The total expenditure incurred on the project so far is Rs. 28.71 lakhs. Work on the studio buildings and transmitter side is in progress. Work on the erection of the 300 metre high TV tower is under way. Site for Poona relay Station has

been finalised and is being acquired. The Bombay TV Station is likely to become operational in 1972.

(iii) MADRAS :

Land for TV Station has been made available by the Government of Tamil Nadu free of land value. Building plans and estimates are under preparation. Steps are being taken to procure equipment. The total estimated cost on this project is Rs. 182.76 lakhs but no expenditure has been incurred so far. The Station is likely to become operational by 1973-74.

(iv) CALCUTTA :

Site for this TV Station is being finalised. Steps to procure equipment are being taken. The total estimated cost on this project is Rs. 190.59 lakhs but no expenditure has so far been incurred. The Station is likely to be in operation by 1973-74.

(v) LUCKNOW/KANPUR :

Sites for these Stations are being finalised. The total estimated cost on this project is Rs. 300.33 lakhs but no expenditure has been incurred so far. The Station is likely to become operational by 1973-74.

Attack on Indian Posts on Indo-Pakistan Border and Violation of Indian Air Space by Pakistan

998. SHRI R. S. PANDEY :
SHRI P. GANGADEB :
SHRI H. M. PATEL :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Pakistani Forces during their attacks on East Pakistan to suppress the independence movement there, have attacked the Indian Posts on the Indo-Pakistan border thereby killing many people and destroying property ;

(b) whether the Pakistan Air Force planes, during their operations in East Bengal have many a times crossed the Indo-Pakistan border and bombarded places on the border inside the Indian territory ; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to meet such acts of the Pakistani forces in future ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a). Yes Sir.

On 24th May, 1971 Pakistani troops attacked the BSF Out-post at Sutarkandi. Two BSF constables were killed and four injured. According to the information received from the Assam Government, five civilians including two women were killed and four civilians were kidnapped by the Pakistani Army.

On 25th May, 1971 Pakistani troops attacked the BSF Check-post at KILAPARA near BOP DALU. Nine BSF men were killed and two are missing. According to the information received from the Assam Government, 13 civilians were also killed and 11 injured.

Damage and destruction to property in this area caused as a result of this attack is not readily available.

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(b) There have been 11 air space violations from 25th/26th March, 1971 upto the 17th May, 1971. There are, however, no reports of bombardment of any place on the border inside Indian territory by Pakistani aircraft.

(c) The BSF authorities have clear instructions to throw back any Pakistani force intruding into Indian territory. A serious view of the above-mentioned instances of intrusion has been taken and strong protests have been lodged with the Pakistan Government.

पाकिस्तानी सेना द्वारा थल सीमा सम्बन्धी नियमों का अतिक्रमण

999. श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी :
श्री एस० आर० दामाणी :
श्री श्यामनन्दन मिश्र :

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या हाल ही में पाकिस्तानी सेना ने कई स्थानों पर भारतीय क्षेत्र में घुस कर थल सीमा सम्बन्धी नियमों का अतिक्रमण किया है ; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो सरकार ने इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

प्रधान मंत्री, परमाणु ऊर्जा मंत्री, गृह मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्रीमती इन्दिरा गांधी) : (क) जी हां, श्रीमान्, कुछ स्थानों पर ।

(ख) सीमा सुरक्षा बल ने प्रत्येक स्थिति में तुरन्त कार्यवाही की थी और घुसपैठियों को भारतीय क्षेत्र से बाहर निकाल फेंका था। उप-युक्त स्तरों पर पाकिस्तानी प्राधिकारियों से कड़े विरोध भी प्रकट किये गये थे ।

Improvement of India's relation with Ceylon

1000. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA : Will Minister of FOREIGN-TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps to improve relations with the Ceylon Government with respect to mutual interest of trade ; commerce and the protection of Indian Nationals there ; and

(b) if so, the recent measures adopted ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) and (b). Constant efforts are made by Government to promote India's trade and economic relations with