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Minister wrote to the State Governments inviting their attention to the need for reducing expenditure and creating a climate of austerity. Among other things, an immediate review of the Plan and non-Plan expenditure was suggested with a view to achieving economies on non-essential and non-priority items.

(b) The State Governments are generally agreed on the need to step up efforts to raise additional resources to meet their Plan and non-Plan obligations, both through fresh measures and through economies in expenditure on non-essential and non-priority items.

(c) Action on the necessary measures is to be taken by State Governments. It is not possible at this stage to indicate the precise outcome of these measures.

पाकिस्तानी सैनिकों द्वारा गोली चलाये जाने के परिणामस्वरूप मारे गए भारतीय नागरिक और सैनिक कर्मचारी

1747. श्री हुकम्व चन्द कछवायः श्री एस० एम० बनर्जीः

क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) एक जून, 1971 से अव तक पाकिस्तानी सेना द्वारा गोली चलाये जाने के परिणामस्वरूप बंगला देश के साथ लगते भारतीय सीमावर्ती क्षेत्रों में कुल कितने भारतीय नागरिक और सैनिक कर्मचारी मारे गए हैं ;

(ख) उक्त अवधि में पाकिस्तान ने कितनी बार सीमा का उल्लंघन किया है ; और

(ग) पाकिस्तानी सेना की इन आक्रामक कार्यवाहियों की रोकथाम के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री जगर्जावन राम): (क) और (ख). 1 जून, 1971 से आज तक पाकिस्तानियों द्वारा 1392 सीमा उल्लंघन किए जाने की सूचना है। इस अवधि में 184 सुरक्षा सेना कार्मिकों (जिसमें थल सेना तथा सीमा सुरक्षा दल शामिल है) तथा 111 असैनिकों की पाकिस्तानी गोलावारी के फलस्वरूप मारे जाने की सूचना है ।

(ग) माननीय सदस्य का घ्यान 15-11-1971 को ध्यानाकर्षण प्रस्ताव के उत्तर में रक्षा मंत्री द्वारा दिए गए वक्तव्य की तरफ आर्कीषत किया जाता है।

Visiting of Bangla Desh Border by a Party of Foreign Military Attaches

1748. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a party of foreign Military Attaches, including representatives of USA and UK, went from Delhi and visited the Bangla Desh border last August/September;

(b) if so, the purpose of the visit and the authorities who sanctioned it; and

(c) whether Government are aware that the West Bengal authorities were kept unaware of the visit prior to its taking place and were not even consulted in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) A party of 15 foreign Armed Forces Advisers/Attaches in India, including representatives of UK and USA, visited Salt Lake and Amdanga Refugee Camps in Calcutta areas on 3rd and 4th September 1971.

(b) The purpose of the visit duly authorised by competent authorities was to provide to foreign attaches an opportunity to obtain first hand information regarding the refugee problem.

(c) The Chief Secretary, West Bengal Government had been informed telegraphically a few days in advance of the visit.

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1749. SHRIMATI BIBHA GHOSH GOSWAMI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to stop the deputation of Indian Administrative