

Government are keeping under constant review the current system of voluntary price control? May I know what is the result of the review and what are their conclusions?

Shri Manubhai Shah: We feel that voluntary price control has worked to the satisfaction of all concerned. But I cannot say that in every case it has been fully observed.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: Is the hon. Minister not aware that even the trade and industry have admitted that there are quite a large number of mills which have introduced a number of varieties which have not circumvented the system of voluntary price control?

Shri Manubhai Shah: That is not precisely our information. What has happened is that in regard to some varieties which are in popular demand, there is an acute shortage and the voluntary price control system has not worked as satisfactorily as we had hoped for.

Shri Nath Pai: Is the hon. Minister aware of the statement made by spokesmen of the textile industry that because of the inadequate supply of cotton, prices are likely to increase? If so, what is the reaction of Government to their proposal to import some cotton from abroad?

Shri Manubhai Shah: This question would not arise out of the main question, but with your permission, I may say that I am going to deal with that question later on.

Shri S. M. Banerje: Has the attention of the hon. Minister been drawn to the fact that during Dusserah, Diwali and Holi, prices of cloth, both medium and fine, went up by 10—25 per cent in certain cases? If so, what steps are being taken by Government to see that prices do not go up like that?

Shri Manubhai Shah: If the hon. Member goes through the statement, he will find that I have said that we are awaiting examination and report

of the Tariff Commission. As soon as their Report is received, Government will deal consider it and announce their decision.

Mr. Speaker: Question No. 2—Shri Bhakt Darshan.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: May I request that Questions 21 and 22 may be taken up along with Question No. 2 and answered together, as they relate to the same subject?

Mr. Speaker: I have received a note here saying that they can be taken up together. If the Minister is agreeable, they may be taken up together—These questions will be answered together.

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क्या प्रधान मंत्री १३ मार्च, १९६२ के तारंकित प्रश्न संख्या २ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उत्तरी सीमा पर चीन द्वारा भारतीय प्रदेश के अतिक्रमण की कोई ताजी घटनायें घटी हुई हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उन अतिक्रमणों पर प्रकाश डालने वाला एक विवरण मभा पटल पर रखा जायेगा ; और

(ग) इस प्रकार के अतिक्रमणों की भविष्य में रोकथाम करने के लिये कौन सी विशेष कार्यवाही की गई है ?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) Yes, Sir. A fresh instance of Chinese incursion into Indian territory has recently come to the knowledge of Government. A new Chinese post has been set up at MR 7834 E 3501 N, 6 miles west of SUMDO.

(b) Copy of the Government of India's protest note in this connection

addressed to the Chinese Embassy is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 1].

(c) The Government of India are alive to the problem and are taking necessary measures for the defence of their territories as well as the vacuation of the area presently under unlawful Chinese occupation. It is not in the national interests to make any premature disclosure of these measures. The Government of India are also exploring in consonance with their declared policy all peaceful avenues for achieving their objective.

Withdrawal of Chinese Forces from Indian Territory

*21. Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recently detected Chinese patrol camp near Chick-Chap river described by Government as temporary, has since withdrawn from the Indian territory; and

(b) if so, when was the withdrawal detected?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) As the House is aware the Government of India had protested in their note dated 22nd February, 1962 on a Chinese patrol that had camped 3 to 4 miles east of their track junction outpost near Daulatbeg Oldi. The Chinese Government in their note dated 14th March, 1962 have denied the existence of the new camp. It may be inferred from this that the temporary camp in question has since been withdrawn.

(b) The Chinese patrol camp which was detected in January 1962 has not since been noticed. However, no precise date for the withdrawal can be indicated.

Indian Territory under Chinese Occupation

*22. Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Will

the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the total area in square miles, of Indian territory under the unlawful and forcible occupation of China, as on the 16th April, 1962; and

(b) the number of military bases, check-posts and other installations which have been constructed by China on the territory so occupied?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) The nature of terrain and other factors in that part of Ladakh which is now under the unlawful occupation of China make it almost impossible to give a precise estimate of the area seized by the Chinese. However, this figure may be approximately placed at over 12,000 square miles.

(b) It is obviously not advisable for security reasons to disclose such details as are in the possession of Government, regarding the military installations built by the Chinese in this area.

श्री भक्त दर्शन: गवर्नमेंट की ओर से जो प्रतिमा उत्तर दिया गया है उससे स्पष्ट है कि इस बीच में चीनी सेनायें आगे बढ़ी हैं। मेरी सम्मति में इसका एक कारण यह हो सकता है कि हमने अपने चैक-पोस्ट बहुत आगे बढ़ा कर स्थापित नहीं किये हैं। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या इस तरह का प्रयत्न किया जा रहा है कि जहाँ पर चीनी कैम्प हैं, वहाँ पर हमारे भी कैम्प लग जायें ताकि चीनी सेनायें आगे न बढ़ सकें ?

प्रधान मंत्री, वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री तथा परभाव्य शक्ति मंत्री (श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू): माननीय सदस्य का कहना मेरी समझ में नहीं आया कि हम उनके कैम्प के सामने अपने कैम्प लगा दें। इससे सारी जमीन जो नहीं रुक जाती। वहाँ पर मैदान है बड़े बड़े कोई इधर उधर से टहल करके जा सकता है। वाक्या यह है कि कहीं पर हमारे कैम्प उनके