

**Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:** Although there is a decision by Government that due to rationalisation there should be no retrenchment, may I know whether this aspect is always kept in mind by the employers in view of the increasing unemployment?

**Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman:** Unemployment figures are collected from 42,000 establishments in the public sector and 29,000 establishments in the private sector at quarterly intervals. They indicate that the total employment in the public sector has shown an increasing trend. We are constantly keeping a watch on that.

**Firing by Pakistanis on Karimganj Border**

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**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Shri Naval Prabhakar:**  
**Shri Raghunath Singh:**  
**Shri Yashpal Singh:**

Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

(a) whether East Pakistan Rifle sepoy fired on Karimganj Border on or about the 6th June, 1963;

(b) if so, the casualties involved in the incident; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One Indian national was injured.

(c) Precautionary measures have been taken to prevent recurrence of such incidents. Government's reaction to the recent developments in the Lathitilla area was given in a Statement made in the House on 26-8-1963, and during the discussion on the Statement on 27-8-1963.

**Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya:** May I know whether there have been occa-

sions when Indian patrol parties have been fired upon by Pakistani riflemen and whether Indian patrol parties have been ordered to return the fire when fired upon?

**Shri Dinesh Singh:** I could not say off-hand the details, but there have been incidents where our patrol parties have been fired upon. There is no specific instruction in this matter. In self-defence they are entitled to fire back.

**Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya:** May I know why such instructions are not given to them that when they are fired upon they can return the fire?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** It is obvious that they should return the fire. There is no necessity to make it perfectly clear.

**श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :** आप ने यह कहा कि एहतियाती कारवाई हो रही है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या एहतियाती कारवाई हो रही है जब कि आय दिन वहाँ वाक्यात होते रहते हैं ?

**श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू :** क्या कारवाई होती है, आप खुद समझ सकते हैं कि इस की तफसील में जाना कहां तक मुमकिन है कि कौन कहां खड़ा हो, बन्दूक ऊपर हो या नीचे हो। यह तो मैं नहीं बतला सकता हूँ। लेकिन जो एहतियाती कारवाई होती है वह की जाती है। यह जाहिर है कि इस किस्म की सीमा पर कितनी भी एहतियात की जाये, दो चार आदमियों का बन्दूक चलाना नहीं रोका जा सकता है, सिवा इस के कि आप उस के जवाब में दो चार के बजाय पांच सात आदमी बन्दूक चलायें या कहीं पर कोई फौजी कारवाई करें।

**श्री यशपाल सिंह :** क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि इंडियन राइफल्स के पास हथियार नहीं थे, या उन्हें भी कुछ दोस्ती निभाने का सबक पढ़ाया गया था ?

श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू: जाहिर है कि उन के पास हथियार होते हैं, और जाहिर है कि वह चलते भी हैं ज़रूरी हो चलाने का।

**Shri H. P. Chatterjee:** May I know whether it has become a common practice for the Pakistani soldiers to fire on our patrols and enter our territory whenever they like and is it a fact that recently, they have entered our territory and forcibly taken away one doctor from the Nadia Karimpur border?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** There have been such repeated occurrences there. I made a statement about that particular border, which is a disputed border, there being some difference between the maps attached to the Radcliffe Award and theirs. Therefore, we have been very eager to demarcate the border finally. It is unfortunate that till then the *status quo* is not recognised by Pakistan, although they have agreed to do so some time ago.

**Mr. Speaker:** Has any doctor been removed from that area?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I do not remember whether any doctor has been removed.

**Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** Even this morning's paper says that an Indian labourer of the tea gardens was injured by some of the Pakistani Rifle personnel, who fired on our patrol. Not only that. This happened in the morning and again at 2 p.m. the same day our patrols were fired at. It seems there is a constant firing. What further steps are Government going to take to see that there is no such great deal of loss of life and property in that area?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I am afraid, there are only two steps which we can take, namely, increase our patrolling, that is, the strength and frequency of it, and take big-scale military action. These are the only two

things. We have increased our patrolling and it is more frequent. On the other hand, we are trying to settle this problem by having the demarcations speeded up.

**Shri H. P. Chatterjee:** It is very strange that the doctor's name.....

**Mr. Speaker:** I had asked him; but he does not know.

**Shri H. P. Chatterjee:** He says that he does not know, when the whole country knows it. It was in the papers.

**Mr. Speaker:** Then the hon. Member is not asking for any information.

**Shri H. P. Chatterjee:** But he should know it. I want to know whether he knows it or not. Certainly, I know it.

**Mr. Speaker:** There is no use in asking this question whether he knows it or not.

**Shri Ranga:** This useful purpose is served that what is known to the country is said to be not known to the hon. Prime Minister.

**Shri H. P. Chatterjee:** That is my constituency and I know it.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I do not remember it. I am afraid, it is not easy for me to remember every incident. This matter was raised through a question and it was answered.

**Shri H. P. Chatterjee:** Doctors are taken away.....

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. He continues asking questions while he is sitting.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** This question about this gentleman, the doctor, was answered in this House.

श्री सरजू पाण्डेय : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि इस बात को देखते हुए कि पाकिस्तान की सीमा पर इस किस्म की घटनाएं

अक्सर होती रहती हैं, क्या कानून में कुछ तबदीली करके वहां के निवासियों को हथियार देना तै किया गया है जिससे वे अपनी ग्री सीमा की रक्षा कर सकें ?

**श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू :** कहीं कहीं दिये जाते हैं, लेकिन आम तौर से देखा गया है कि हथियार देने से कुछ होता नहीं है। हथियार देने के साथ सिखाना भी होता है, डिसिप्लिन सिखाना होता है। अगर ऐसा न किया जाये तो अक्सर हथियार दुश्मन के हाथ में चले जाते हैं।

**Mr. Speaker:** Shri Swell.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Sir, I rise on a point of order.

**Mr. Speaker:** In the Question Hour, as Shri Banerjee knows, ultimately there does not turn out to be any point of order. Hon. Members have asked me that I should cover 20 questions and then they begin to argue with me. All right, now let me hear the point of order.

**श्री स० मो० बनर्जी :** अभी प्रधान मंत्री जी ने हथियार देने के बारे में कहा कि उन लोगों को हथियार देने से काम नहीं होता और कभी कभी नुकसान हो जाता है। इसी सदन में उन्होंने कहा था कि सीमा के लोगों को हथियार दिये जा रहे हैं जब कि बहुत जोर दिया गया था कि बारडर के लोगों को बारडर की हिफाजत के लिए हथियार दिये जायें। अब जो बयान दिया गया है उससे मालूम होता है कि हथियार सब जगह नहीं दिये गये। यह तो गलत बयान मालूम होता है . . .

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** अगर गलतबयानी है, तो इस में प्वाइंट ऑफ आर्डर क्या है ?

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** My point of order is only this.

**Mr. Speaker:** Now he is only spending time which ought to be saved.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** He can say anything.

**Mr. Speaker:** If he has a complaint that the answer given is not correct, he can write to me and I will just ask him to look it up and find out whether really the answer was wrong. A point of order does not arise here.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Whether the hon. Minister.....

**Mr. Speaker:** Now, Shri Swell.

**Shri Swell:** The hon. Prime Minister has just now said that the frequency of our patrol on our border with Pakistan has been increased. But it appears that at the same time the frequency of the Pakistani firings happens to have increased. Can the hon. Prime Minister enlighten us as to whether there is any necessary connection between the two?

**Mr. Speaker:** I could not follow. Would he kindly repeat it?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** As I understand it, he wants to know whether there is any connection between the Pakistani firings and the increase in our patrols. I do not see any particular connection. The result should be the other way round.

#### भारत-नेपाल संबन्ध

\*६८२. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारत और नेपाल के संबंधों की और भी घनिष्ट करने के लिए आर्थिक और सांस्कृतिक आदान-प्रदान के कुछ नये कार्यक्रम बनाये गये हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उन की मुख्य बातें क्या हैं ?

**बैदेशिक कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमन्त्री (श्री निवेश सिंह) :** (क) जी हां।