

But we have indicated the position and left it to them to take such action as they think proper.

Shri Tyagi: Have the Government made sure that the new civil posts which China has established in the demilitarised zone are manned by civilians actually or by military men under the garb of civilians?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: That is very difficult to make sure. Possibly, if not military men those people are half military men.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Next question.

श्री विभूति मिश्र : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा नाम इस प्रश्न में तीसरे नम्बर पर है, पर मुझको सवाल करने का अवसर नहीं दिया गया (*Interruptions*)

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री: On a point of order, Sir जो सदस्य इन प्रश्नों के लिये नोटिस देते हैं और जिनके नाम भी प्रश्नों के साथ अंकित रहते हैं, उनको अवसर नहीं मिलता लेकिन जिन्होंने इन प्रश्नों के लिये नोटिस नहीं दिये होते उनको अवसर दिया जाता है। क्या मैं भी उसी मार्ग का अनुसरण करूँ जिसका वे सदस्य करते हैं जो कि नोटिस नहीं देते पर जिनको अवसर दिया जाता है ?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: There are about 13 to 14 names; all of them cannot be given a chance. The Speaker has made it quite clear. I am trying to accommodate as many Members from as many parties as possible.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या हम भी उसी रास्ते पर चलें ?

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: The Speaker has not given any such ruling.

Shri Tyagi: There is no such ruling. Members are called on the basis of

catching the Speaker's eye; those who catch his eye are generally given preference. There is no rule that the supplementaries should be limited only to those Members who have given notice of the question. Catching your eye is the salient rule.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : वह मुझे बतला दें कि आख पकड़ने का रास्ता क्या है।

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Next question. Shri Yashpal Singh.

Shri Yashpal Singh: Question No. 126.

Shri Hem Barna: Question No. 132 may also be taken along with this.

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: They deal with different things.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: They are different things. So, question No. 126 only need be taken up now.

Trespassing by Pakistanis

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| | | Shri Rameshwar Tantia: |
| | | Shri Basumatari: |
| | | Shri P. R. Chakraverti: |
| Shri Raghunath Singh: | | |
| | | Shri Mohan Swarup: |

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 60 armed Pakistanis trespassed into Indian territory during May, 1963 at a village near Taraknagar (P.S. Dharam Nagar) and took away some cattle;

(b) whether any protest has been lodged with the Pakistan Government; and

(c) the steps Government have taken to check such incidents which threaten the security of India?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) to (c). On 15-5-1963, some 40/50 Pakistani nationals, armed with deadly weapons and backed by the East Pakistan police, trespassed into an Indian village near Taraknagar in Dharamnagar Sub-Division of Tripura. They forcibly took away 29 head of cattle, after assaulting Indian nationals who were tending the cattle. Protests were lodged by the District Officer and the Tripura Administration, with district and State authorities in East Pakistan, under the Ground Rules Agreement between the Government of India and Pakistan.

No reply has so far been received from East Pakistan, barring a brief acknowledgement stating that the matter was under enquiry. Our border patrol personnel were strengthened and patrolling intensified to prevent recurrence of such incidents.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि भारत सरकार इन ज्यादतियों को पाकिस्तान की मित्रता के लिहाज में बरदाश्त कर रही है, या सरकार इतनी दुर्बल हो गयी है कि इन को रोक नहीं सकती ?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: No comments; you ask only for information.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : इन घटनाओं को रोकने के लिये सरकार क्या कर रही है ?

(कोई उत्तर नहीं दिया गया) ।

श्री रामेश्वरानन्द : अगर सरकार नहीं रोक सकती तो क्यों इन गधियों को संभाले बैठी है ? (Interruptions)

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: You are commenting upon the action of the Government, but not eliciting any information.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : सरकार इन घटनाओं को रोकने के लिये क्या कर रही है ?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: I cannot allow that question.

दूसरा प्रश्न है यशपाल सिंह ।

श्री यशपाल सिंह : सरकार इस को रोकने के लिये क्या कर रही है ?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: It is already stated in the original answer that our border patrol personnel were strengthened and patrolling intensified to prevent recurrence of such incidents.

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: Is it a fact that after a protest was made by the Indian Government over this incident the Pakistan border police admitted the guilt but they would not hand over the cattle to the Indian owners?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: The protest was handed over but the cattle has not been surrendered.

Shri Basumatari: May I know whether some of the border people on our side helped the trespassers and, if so, whether any enquiry was made in regard to that?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: The matter is being enquired into.

Shrimati Renuka Ray: In view of the growing Pakistani hostilities, does the Government think that it is just enough to increase the border patrol personnel in a few areas where some incidents have taken place or does the Government think that it has to go in for something more effective to stop Pakistani trespassers because invariably the Pakistan Government's answer to our protests is to ignore them?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: I do not know what the hon. Member means by "more effective steps". There are certain rules laid down as to what we should do when such incidents

occur—ground rules. According to those ground rules we proceed, and as far as our side is concerned we try to strengthen the patrol so that these incidents do not occur again.

Shri Swell: These trespasses, assaults and cattle lifting by the Pakistanis have become a normal feature in the border areas. I would like to know whether the Government have thought of some ways, either arming the border people or in some other way, by which the border people themselves can defend themselves against the Pakistani marauders?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: That is a suggestion for action.

Shri Swell: I want to know whether the Government have thought of any means of doing that. I am not suggesting any means.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Order, order.

श्री बृजराज सिंह : टैसपासिंग के खिलाफ जब हम लोग प्रोटेस्ट भेजते हैं तो उसके जवाब का इंतजार गवर्नमेंट कितने दिन तक करती है और कितने दिन तक जवाब न आने पर एक्शन लेने के लिये तैयार होती है।

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: Sometimes we get an answer, sometimes an enquiry is conducted and sometimes we do not get any answer.

श्री बृजराज सिंह : मेरा सवाल यह है कि उस के लिये कितने दिन तक इंतजार किया जाता है ? क्या टाइम लिमिट है ?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: There is no time limit.

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: May I know what reasons have prevailed with the Government in not arming the population living in the border areas so that they may defend themselves? I want to know what reasons have prevailed with the Government in denying arms to the border people so that they may defend themselves?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): There are various obvious reasons. Arming the peasants on the border will not make them a sufficient force to meet armed militia or armed troops on the other side. It may even result in the arms going to the other side.

Shri Swell: Sir, I would like to seek a clarification.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Order, order.

Dr. Ranen Sen: It is reported in the newspapers that the Pakistan Government has deployed military personnel to guard its borders. It is also reported that we on our part employ only police personnel. What prevents our Government from deploying military personnel to guard our frontiers?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I do not know the position obtaining in Pakistan. The normal practice is to guard the border by armed police, to be supported by the army from behind, if the need arises. The army is not usually kept on its toes right on the border.

Shri Ranga: In view of the fact that allegations were made by a Pakistani Minister that India itself has taken the initiative in digging these trenches and massing troops on the border, may I know whether Government has made any effort to have some impartial international observers, like Ambassadors, to go over the border area and see whether there is any truth at all in the Pakistani complaints, especially because Pakistan, as a matter of fact, is doing exactly what it is complaining of?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: No, Sir. It is not proposed to bring any international observers on our frontiers.

Shri Ranga: There are press correspondents who, if these facilities are made available to them, will rebut or deny these allegations after satisfy-

ing themselves of the correct position. Has Government made any such effort?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: The answer is "No".

Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya: Have the Assam Government informed the Government of India that they are not able to provide sufficient border police to protect the frontier due to paucity of funds?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I do not remember to have received any such message from them. Our border States are constantly pressing the Government of India to give them more funds for border protection, but that is a different matter.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Next question.

Shri Kapur Singh: Sir, I suggest that Question No. 131 may also be taken up, as it also relates to the same subject.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: All right.

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(क) चीन द्वारा युद्ध विराम की घोषणा के बाद चीन सरकार ने भारत को कितने युद्धबन्दी—अफसर तथा जवानों की संख्या अलग अलग—लौटाये ;

(ख) चीन सरकार के पास अब तक कितने युद्धबन्दी और हैं तथा उनके कब तक वापस लौटाये जाने की आशा है ;

(ग) कितने बन्दियों के शव अथवा अस्थियां वापस मिली थीं ; और

(घ) क्या इन युद्धबन्दियों की रिःाई के बाद सभी लापता अफसरों तथा जवानों की संख्या पूरी हो गई है ?

प्रतिरक्षा मन्त्रालय में उपमन्त्री (श्री बा० रा० चक्राण) : (क) सेना के ६६ अधिकारी, ३५२१ जवान, और अन्य संगठनों जैसे कि आसाम लाइफल्स और जनरल रिजर्व इंजीनियर फोर्स, के ३५५ व्यक्ति चीनियों द्वारा लूटे गये हैं ।

(ख) चीन सरकार के अनुसार उनकी कैद में अब कोई भारतीय नहीं है ।

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