the proposed conference and at what level the conference will be held?

Shri Dinesh Singh: I did not say that we had got to the stage of countries being invited. There is a proposal that a conference should be held. That has to be accepted first; the invitees will come afterwards.

Shri Warior: What are special item of discussion in this conference, and what is the purpose of the conference to be held?

Shri Dinesh Singh: It has a long history. It will be very difficult to say in a few words. The whole point has arisen out of Prince Sihanouk's desire to hold a conference which will guarantee the territorial integrity of Cambodia and its neutrality.

Shri G. Mohanty: Who are the initiators of the conference?

Shri Dinesh Singh: Prince Sinhanouk.

Tripura Border

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Shri Maheswar Naik: Shri Nath Pai: Shri P. C. Borooah: Shri R. S. Tiwary:

Shri Onkar Lal Berwa: Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya

Shri S. M. Banerjee:

Shri P. R. Chakraverti: Shrimati Savitri Nigam;

*500. Shrimati Savitri Nigam: Shri Kajrolkar:

Shri Brij Raj Singh: Shri D. C. Sharma:

Shri Bishanchander Seth:

Shri Dhaon:

Shri Kachhavaiya:

Shri Gokaran Prasad: Shri Y. D. Singh:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has resumed digging trenches along the Tripura border threatening peace and security of the border areas; and

(b) if so, whether Government of India have taken any action in regard thereto?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) Yes, Sir. Since some time past, we received information that Pakistanis were indulging in digging of trenches along the bank of Fenny river. Latest report indicates that Pakistani troops have now started digging trenches on the other side of the river Fenny opposite Brajendranagar Taluk in Sabroom Sub-Division of Tripura.

(b) Protests have been lodged with the Pakistani authorities both at the district as well as Governmental level. Border Police Forces have been intensified to ensure peace and security.

Shri Maheswar Naik: In view of the fact that these prolonged activitits of Pakistan seem more or less like war preparation what action is Government taking to strengthen our defence in the border so that they canmeet any eventuality?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: We have reinforced our border security forces.

Shri Maheswar Nalk: Is it a fact that these activities have acquired greater impetus since China and Paklstan have entered into a pact?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: This has been going on for sometime and it is based on the dispute with regard to the control of Feni river.

Dr. M. S. Aney: May I know whether the protest lodged at the district level reached Pakistan Government or not? Do Government make enquiries about that?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: The protest is lodged at the district level as well as at the Government level.

Shri P. C. Borooah: May I know the stage at which the construction work about the demarcation of the boundary between Tripura and East Pakistan stands?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: I have not got the exact details.

Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya: May I know whether a group of Pakistanis trespassed into Tripura on December 11, 1963 and attacked our border patrol party?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: I want separate notice.

श्री रा० स० तिवारी: पाकिस्तान उधर हमारी सीमाओं पर जो खाइयां श्रादि खोद रहा है ग्रीर फीजों का जमाव कर रहा है श्रौर जिस के कि कारण हमारे यहां काफी श्रातंक फैल गया है श्रीर जनता में चिन्ता उत्पन्न हो गई है तो हमारी गवर्नमेंट उस के लिए क्या कर रही है ?

बिना विभाग के मंत्री (भी लाल बहादुर शास्त्री) : यह झगडे थोडे बहत हर बौर्ड पर पाकिस्तान की तरफ से पूर्वी और पश्चिमी सीमात्रों में हो रहे हैं श्रीर उन का मुकाबला भी हमारे सिपाहियों ने ग्रौर हमारी फौज ने काफी अच्छे तरीके से किया है। मैं पिछले कुछ दिनों की बात कह रहा हूं। हमें उस के प्रति सावधान रहना पडेगा स्रौर उस का मकाबला करना पडेगा

Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya: in connection with my question, I want to make a submission. When I put this supplementary the hon. Minister says she wants notice. But when I submitted notice of this question to Lok Sabha, my name has been clubbed with the other hon. Members. In fact this was the very question that I gave notice of.

Mr. Speaker: This is a matter between the hon. Member and myself. We shall see.

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: In tions to the digging of the trenches is it a fact that there are some Chinese generals in the Pakistan Army.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: We cannot say anything about it.

Shri H. N. Mukerjee: In view of the persistent bellicosity of Pakistan, have we tried on a Government to Government basis to secure absolution from the inhibition which was put on us by the Western powers that their military aid could not possibly be used against Pakistan if it is necessary for us to defend our sovereignty against Pakistan?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: It is not entirely relevant to the present issue. If we have to fight Pakistan, we will. If necessary and if we are compelled to do it, we will have to fight with our own resources.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know whether the attention of the Government is drawn to a recent report that some Pakistani nationals are receiving intensive guerilla training in China with a view to staging a guerilla warfare both in the eastern and western sector?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: We have received some reports. We have seen reports in the press also.

Shri Hem Barua: What is the reaction of the Government to this? He has said he has seen the reports. have also seen the reports. What the reaction of the Government such a vital development? what I wanted to know in the interests of the country.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: The developments are very strange and surprising; these surprising events taking place at this stage—and which has just now taken place in Pakistan when Premeir Chou En-lai went there Pakistan a member of the NATO and CENTO powers have more or less

joined hands with Mr. Chou En-lai. Perhaps it may be due to their enmity towards India.

Mr. Speaker: Question Hour is over.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: The list is also almost over.

Mr. Speaker: Yes.

Shri P. C. Borooah: Question No. 511.

Mr. Speaker: And he has put the last question also without my asking him. But the Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUES-TIONS

Jawans Living at High Altitudes

Shri D. D. Puri:
*487. Shri P. R. Chukraverti: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of Defence pleased to state:

- (a) whether the finding Army Medical Officers that living at high altitudes has no harmful effect on the hearts of Jawans is conclusive: and
 - (b) whether sample studies in this regard have been carried out Jawans posted in a particular sector only or on all the high altitudes in the North and North-Eastern borders?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) While trials are continuing, available evidence on the basis of the trials already conducted shows that no harmful effects on the heart of personnel are caused by posting to high altitudes if the precautions laid down are observed.

(b) Sample studies hitherto conducted have been in the Ladakh area. Future trials will be conducted in other Sectors wherever possible.

Wage Board for Working and Non-Working Journalists

Written Answers

*490. Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a) whether wage boards for working and non-working journalists have started work; and
 - (b) if not the reasons for delay?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Labour and Employment and for Planning (Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman): (a) The Wage Board for working journalists has already started working. The Wage Board for non-journalists has been constituted and will starts functioning soon.

(b) Does not arise.

वैज्ञानिकों का सम्मेलन

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क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि जनवरी, १९६४ में उदयपुर में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय वैज्ञानिक सम्मेलन हम्रा थाः
- (ख) यदि हां, तो सम्मेलन में किन देशों ने भाग लिया था; ग्रीर
- (ग) उसमें किन विषयों पर चर्चा हई थी ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमतीलक्षमीमेनन): (क) जी हां। विज्ञान तथा विश्व समस्यास्रों पर बारहवां पगवाश सम्मेलन २७ जनवरी से १ फरवरी, १९६४ तक उदयपूर में सम्पन्न हुन्ना ।