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**Probe into Allegations against
Sardar Lachman Singh Gill**

704. SHRI YAJNA DATT
SHARMA:
SHRI RANJIT SINGH:
SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN LAL:
SHRI SURAJ BHAN:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPA-
YEE:
SHRI JAGANNATH RAO
JOSHI:
SHRI RAM GOPAL
SHALWALE:
SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:
SHRI SHRI GOPAL SABOO:
SHRI SHARDA NAND:
SHRI ONKAR SINGH:
SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL:
SHRI HUKAM CHAND KACH-
WAI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the probe being conducted into the allegations made against the former Chief Minister of Punjab, Sardar Lachman Singh Gill, by the Opposition parties has been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not the reasons for the delay and the time by which the same is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA):
(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It has been considered advisable to verify certain facts for the examination of the matter. This naturally takes time and it is not possible to say at present

when the examination will be completed.

Progressive Muslim League

705. SHRI BABURAO PATEL:
SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:
SHRI SHARDA NAND:
SHRI SHRI GOPAL SABOO:
SHRI ONKAR SINGH:
SHRI N. R. LASKAR:
SHRI R. BARUA:
SHRI SAMAR GUHA:
SHRI YASHWANT SINGH
KUSHWAH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new communal party called the Progressive Muslim League has emerged in West Bengal and fought the mid-term elections with avowed communalism;

(b) if so, the names of its top ten Leaders and whether any of them were members of the Congress party in early years;

(c) whether it is also a fact that this new communal party has adopted a flag which is almost like Pakistan's Islamic flag to rally the Muslims under it, and if so, Government's reaction to the flag and the party;

(d) whether it is a fact that speakers of this party publicly demanded separate Muslim districts in West Bengal as has been done in Kerala and the mid-term elections were fought on this communal plank; and

(e) if so, Government's reaction to it ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) According to information received from the State Government the newly formed Progressive Muslim League contested the mid-term elections with communal ideology as the main basis of its election campaign.

(b) 1. Shri Sekandar Ali Molla—President.