

appeared in the *Hindu* Daily dated the 16th January, 1970 regarding this ;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to take necessary steps in the matter ; and

(d) the details of the steps proposed to be taken ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) : (a) No, Sir. Our Embassy in Rome is adequately supplied with tourist publicity literature.

(b) I have seen the letter in question. Enquiries show that the writer has since realized that his information was incorrect.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

Reported Statement of Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Re : C. P. I. (M) Leaders Undergoing Military-Type Training in Chandigarh

*150. **SHRIMATI ILA HALCHOUD HURI :** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has recently brought it to the notice of the Government of India that some leaders of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) have been undergoing "Military-Type" training in Chandigarh (Punjab) ; and

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) and (b). Government have seen press report of a statement to this effect made by the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu in the State Legislative Assembly on January 23, 1970. The Government of Tamil Nadu has been requested to furnish the relevant facts.

Death of Border Security Men due to Land Slides and Hostilities by Pakistan and China

801. **SHRI MANGALATHUMADAM :** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Border Security men died during the last year due to land slides

and hostilities by Pakistan and China ; and

(b) the steps taken to avoid such happenings in the border area ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) Excluding the border of Jammu and Kashmir, West Bengal and the North-East Frontier Agency, 7 constables died due to land slides/avalanches during the year 1969. There were no casualties due to any border clashes with Pakistan and China during the year 1969. Information relating to Jammu and Kashmir, West Bengal and the North-East Frontier Agency Administration is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House on receipt.

(b) All possible precautions, consistent with the need of patrolling for national security are taken and extra vigilance is maintained at the time of heavy snow fall. Before posts are located the vulnerability of the sites to land slides is taken into consideration. When Border Security personnel move out in the snow area they are warned to maintain contact with each other so that if some of them get involved in a land slide the others can come to their rescue.

Unearthing of Arms Factories by Police

802. **SHRI BABURAO PATEL :** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a miniature arms factory was unearthed on the 12th January, 1970 in a village called Nausana in Uttar Pradesh ;

(b) if so, the nature of arms found and their quantity ;

(c) the number of such arms factories unearthed by Police in different States of India during the last two years ; and

(d) the names of owners who were found operating these arms factories and the nature of action taken against them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) and (b). The Government of Uttar Pradesh have informed that the State Police recovered on