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(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a newsitem appearing in the Jansatta dated 3 February, 1989 about the forced conversion of youngmen into eunuchs;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (S. BUTA SINGH): (a) Government have seen the Press Report.

(b) and (c). 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects. Investigation of cases referred to concern State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations. However, no report regarding forced conversions referred to in the newspaper has come to notice in recent times.

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Fencing on Indo-Pak Border

*87. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA: DR. A. K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the work done and expenditure incurred so far on fencing on the Indo-Pak border to check the smuggling of arms, narcotics and terrorists movement; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to provide fencing on the whole of Indo-Pak border; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (S. BUTA SINGH): (a) According to CPWD, which is executing the work of fencing, a stretch of 118 Kms out of 120 Kms in the Punjab Sector and 51.5 Kms out of 58.8 Kms selected in the Rajasthan Sector has been completed upto July 10, 1989. An expenditure of Rs. 2451 lakhs has been incurred in this regard upto June 30, 1989.

(b) It is not considered feasible to put up a fence along the entire Indo-Park border.

Meeting of National Integration Council

*88. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government were considering to convence a meeting of the National Integration Council to discuss the communal situation in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in convening the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (S. BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b). It is proposed to hold the National Integration Council Meeting very shortly. The exact date will be intimated as soon as fixed.

Investigation into Bofors Gun Deal

*89. SHRI THAMPAN THOMAS: SHRI C. JANGA REDDY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) at what stage the investigation into Bofors Gun deal stands at present; and

(b) if the investigation is _omplete, findings of the enquiry and the follow-up action taken in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) The investigations are still in progress.

(b) Does not arise.