

the final picture emerges only when their respective parliaments sanction them. So, it is very difficult to think in terms of any particular period.

**'Mobilisation Programme' to Raise a
'Volunteer Force' in Pak-Occupied
Kashmir**

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*905. SHRI V. MAYAVAN :
SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the Daily Telegraph, London's report from Muzafarabad (published in 'The Hindustan Times' dated the 25th April, 1972) that a 'mobilisation programme' was being undertaken in Pak-occupied Kashmir and more than 2,00,000 men between the ages of 18 and 40 have been drafted into 'volunteer force, and given basic military training; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE
(DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI
VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a)
Yes, Sir.

(b) All such developments in Pakistan are taken into consideration in reviewing our defence preparedness.

SHRI V. MAYAVAN : The reply of the hon. Minister is so secretive. I would like to know from the hon. Minister what concrete steps have been taken to counteract the volunteer force of 2 lakhs of people raised by Pakistan.

SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA : I think, it would be against public interest to give concrete details of what we are doing to counteract such activities.

MR. SPEAKER : You yourself said that it is so secretive.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : There was a news item that there is some sort of revolt against Pakistan authorities in occupied Kashmir.

I wish to know from the hon. Minister what is the truth about it.

MR. SPEAKER : What has that to do with this Question? I am not allowing. You ask a separate Question. This is too far-fetched a supplementary.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : You kindly read the question.

MR. SPEAKER : I have read it. This has nothing to do with it.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : The people in occupied Kashmir are revolting against Pakistan authorities. I want to know whether he has any information about that or not. This is quite relevant.

MR. SPEAKER : This is not relevant.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Why should you hold any brief for Pakistan? If some thing is happening there, if the people are revolting against Pakistan authorities, I want to know it.

MR. SPEAKER : It is not relevant; there is no question holding any brief.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Who will give the information? I cannot ask the Pakistan Government.

MR. SPEAKER : You ask a separate question and I will admit it. You are such a good person but some times you are so obstinate.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : I am good to you, not to the people of occupied Kashmir.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : I want to know from the hon. Minister whether these

volunteer forces that are being raised in the form of guerilla troops in the occupied Kashmir are under the control of the defence forces of Pakistan: secondly, whether any Chinese experts are giving them training and, thirdly, whether recent increased violations of the cease-fire line in Kashmir have any link with the raising of these volunteer forces in the occupied Kashmir.

SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA : They keep up a pretence of some kind of separation from Pakistan as far as occupied Kashmir is concerned. These forces are supposed to be under the President of Pakistan occupied Kashmir. As the House knows, they have raised certain forces, like, Al-Mujahids and Al-Bakrs and they have been trained in various forms of subversive activities, espionage, infiltration, etc. But as far as the violations that the hon. Member referred to are concerned, they were indulged in by regular Pakistani army units. At present, I do not have any information about these para-military forces in Pakistan having engaged in this kind of violations.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : Whether the Chinese experts are giving them training.

SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA : For this, he will have to ask a separate Question.

श्री मुकम खन्द कञ्जनाय : काश्मीर के जिस हिस्से पर पाकिस्तान ने बसात कब्जा कर रखा है, उस के बारे में मंत्री महोदय ने बताया है कि हम सतर्क हैं और प्रयास कर रहे हैं, इस से अधिक जनहित में बताना ठीक नहीं है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि चीन ने भारत की जिस भूमि पर बसात कब्जा कर रखा है, क्या उस के बारे में भी आप की ऐसी ही नीति है तथा उसे आप कब तक वापस लेने का प्रयास कर रहे हैं ?

MR. SPEAKER : This has nothing to do with this question.

Reduction in Air Fare between Calcutta and Dacca

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*907. **SHRI M. M. JOSEPH :**

SHRI NIHAR LASKAR :

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Bangladesh Biman had approached the Indian Airlines for making a joint representation to the International Air Travel Association for reduction in air fare by the two airlines between Calcutta and Dacca; and

(b) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

श्री सरजू पाण्डे : इस बात को ध्यान में रखते हुए कि बंगला देश का नया उदय हुआ है और हमारे भारत में काफी लोग बहाँ जाना चाहते हैं, ज्यादातर गरीब लोग ट्रेविल करना चाहते हैं और दूसरा कोई रास्ता नहीं है, इस बात को ध्यान में रखते हुए क्या मंत्री महोदय इस बात पर विचार करेंगे कि उस का किराया कम किया जाय ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : अगर वह कर सकते हैं तो उन के कोशिश करने की क्या जरूरत है ?

श्री सरजू पाण्डे : अगर वह कर सकते हैं तो कब को करना चाहिये।