

President Ayub Khan's Autobiography

*1631-A. **Shri Srinibas Misra:** Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that an autobiography of President Ayub Khan of Pakistan is due to be published in India by the Oxford University Press; and

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

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) The Government of India have seen some recent press reports stating that the Oxford University Press is going to release in India an Indian edition of President Ayub Khan's forthcoming Autobiography.

(b) The Government have not received any request from the publishers regarding the import or publication of the book in India so far. Hence the question of Government of India reacting thereto is somewhat premature.

Demolition of Border Pillar Posts in East Pakistan

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Shri Sharda Nand:
Shri Jaganath Rao Joshi:
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Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the border pillar posts demarcating the Indo-Pakistan borders in Madhugari in Karimpur Ponce Station, Basumari and Andharkota areas in Nadia district have been demolished by the Pakistan authorities;

(b) whether the aim of Pakistan behind the demolition of these pillar posts is to further occupy 2.59 square miles of the Indian territory;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Pakistan has rehabilitated those Muslims there who had migrated to Pakistan from India;

(d) whether it is also a fact that Pakistan has occupied Andharkota village in the Indian territory and they have set up some border pillar posts further inside the Indian territory; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There are no indications of any particular aim.

(c) There is no confirmation of this report.

(d) A portion of Andharkota village is in the adverse possession of Pakistan since partition. As regards Pakistan setting up some border pillar posts, we have not received any confirmation.

(e) The Directors of Land Records of West Bengal and East Pakistan are meeting periodically to complete the demarcation. When the demarcation is completed the territories that happen to be in adverse possession of one country, as a result of demarcation of the border, will be duly transferred to the other country.