

has also been sought to prevent violations of the Agreement on the Suspension of Operations.

#### Escape of Nagas to China

\*423. **Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:** Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the large-scale escape of Naga hostiles into China through Kachinara in Burma has indicated any coalition between the hostiles and the Kachinara rebels of northern Burma;

(b) whether it is a fact that Kachinaras actually guided the Naga rebels through the difficult terrain upto China border;

(c) whether Government are aware that the Tripura border in India is 200 miles from the Chinese border, and without a proper guidance the Naga groups either would have run into Burmese territories or lost in the terrain of Burma; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to meet the situation?

**The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla):** (a) and (b). According to information available to the Government the Underground Nagas received some assistance of some Tangsa Nagas and others residing in Burma. There is no information of any formal collusion with the Kachins. It is quite likely that some groups amongst the Kachins might have helped them in their passage across Burma.

(c) The distance from the border of TIRAP (we presume TIRAP and NOT TRIPURA is meant) to the nearest point in China would be approximately 200 miles through Burmese territory.

(d) All possible measures within the limit of the resources in men and funds are being taken. However, due to difficult terrain and vastness of the area some Underground Nagas do manage to sneak in and out of India. The Burmese authorities have given all possible cooperation to us in this matter.

#### Chinese in Nagaland

\*439. **Shri Swell:**

**Shri Hem Barua:**

**Shri Nath Pal:**

**Shri Surendranath Dwivedy:**

**Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:**

**Shri Mahant Digvijai Nath:**

**Dr. Surya Prakash Puri:**

**Shri Y. S. Kushwah:**

**Shri Shy Kumar Shastri:**

**Shri Raghuvir Singh Shastri:**

**Shri Ram Avtar Sharma:**

**Shri Samar Guha:**

**Shri Yajna Datt Sharma:**

**Shri Jagannath Rao Joshi:**

**Shri K. P. Singh Deo:**

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have investigated into the report that some Chinese clandestinely visited Nagaland recently;

(b) whether there is any truth in this report; and

(c) whether Government will remodel their policy towards the Naga situation in view of this new dimension?

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

(b) There is no truth in the report.

(c) Does not arise.

#### Cease-Fire in Nagaland

\*445. **Shri D. C. Sharma:**

**Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cease-fire in Nagaland has again been extended;

(b) how long Government propose to go on extending it; and

(c) the steps taken to resolve the issue?

**The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla):** (a) The Suspension of Operations Agreement, and not cease-fire, has been extended upto 31st August, 1967.