Oral Answers

सचेष्ट हो जाएगी ब्रौर इन चीजों को छीक प्रकार से प्रोटैक्ट करेगी?

श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी : जी, हां।

A.I.R. Programmes to Counteract Anti-India Propaganda

*1478. Shri N. K. P. Salve: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the steps, which have been taken by Government in the All-India Radio Programmes to counteract the anti-Indian propaganda by Pakistan and China in Asin and African countries;

(b) the arragements which exist in the All-India Radio to monitor the hostile propaganda broadcasts of the Peking Radio and Radio Pakistan; and

(c) whether Government contemplate any measures to establish a close liaison between the External Publicity Division and his Ministry so that the latter may re-inforce the publicity efforts of the former abroad?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) Pakistani and Chinese propaganda against India in Asian and African countries is countered from day-today through external news broadcast and news commentaries.

(b) Arrangements exist to monitor broadcasts put out by Radio Peking and Radio Pakistan as well as the latter's satellite broadcasting stations.

(c) Regular liaison exists between AIR and the External Publicity Division.

Shri N. K. P. Salve: Would the Minister kindly inform us whether any complaint has been received by him from the listeners of the AIR programme to counteract the anti-Indian propaganda by Pakistan and China, that the propaganda is utterly ineffective, for, it is insipid, immature and puerlle and secondly, in view of the fact that psychological warfare is accepted to be a very specialised subject and that radio propaganda is a vital instrument in this subject, may I know (a) what steps in general have been taken to acquire proficiency in this, and (b) whether any training is being given to our personnel, by our officers, in this subject and if it is not so, may I know whether our policy of dynamic neutrality stands in the way of our specialising in any warfare, including psychological warfare?

Shri K. K. Shah: All I can say is that my hon. friend is not well informed. The amount of note that is taken by China and Pakistan of our broadcasts for counteracting anti-Indian propaganda is itself proof of the fact that we have been very effective.

श्वी सीताराज केसरी : क्या मंत्री महोदय को इस बात की खबर है कि नक्सलबाड़ी इलाके में पोकिंग रेडियो ग्रौर पाकिस्तान रेडियो के जो बाडकास्ट ग्राते हैं, वे हिन्दी के बजाये गोरखाली ग्रौर मैथिली में ज्यादा होते हैं ; यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने ऐसा कोई प्रबन्ध किया है कि नक्सलबाड़ी इलाके के जोगों के लिए गोरखाली बोर मैथिली लैंग्वेजिज में बाडकास्टि किया जाये या वहां के लिए कोई बाडकास्टिंग स्टेशन खोला जाये ?

Shri K. K. Shah: So far as Gurkha language is concerned, the propaganda is carried on. So far as Maithili is concerned, the question is under consideration.

Shri Manumanthaiya: Has it come to the notice of the hon. Minister that some of the Russian radio stations, in particular, Tashkent, are doing anti-Indian propaganda, and if so, what steps has the Government taken to counteract these things or to call the attention of Moscow authorities towards this matter?

Shri K. K. Shah: This refers to the External Affairs Ministry, but it is not correct to say that any propaganda is carried on by this radio not official radio—against India. There are references made... (Interruption)... I am giving a full answer to some of the parties in this country, and we have drawn their attention. Beyond that, we cannot do anything.

श्री प्रकाशवीर झास्त्री : भारत-विरोधी प्रचार के विष का प्रतिकार करने के लिए और भारत के फ्श्व में प्रचार को बड़ाने के लिए सब से मुख्य साधन है शक्तिशाली ट्रांसमिटर और वर्षों से बराबर यह मांग भारत सरकार के कानों तक पहुंचाई जा रही है कि देश के सोमावर्पी क्षेत्रों में शक्तिणाली ट्रांसमिटर लगाये जायें, जिस से बिरोधी प्रचार का प्रतिकार किया जा सके लेकिन सरकार राजवैतिक निर्णयों से ग्रभी तक उस को टाले जा रही है। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि इस संबंध में सरकार के मार्ग में मुख्य रूप से बाधा क्या है थीर कब तक वे सक्ति-माली ट्रांसमिटर लगाए जा मर्केंगे, ताकि हमारी ग्रावाज दूसरों तक पहुंच तो सके।

Shri K. K. Shah: Two super-pover transmitters will be installed before the end of 1968, one in the beginning of 1968 and the other in the end of 1968, in two extreme borders of our sountry, which will be able to give much better service. Two 250-kilowatt short wave transmitters will also be installed.

Shri H. K. Sinha: The Bihar famine has been shown in films and television in the countries of Europe, and these films which show the Indian poverty to countries abroad, do not do honour to the status and dignity of India. We may appeal to the whole world for help, but the Indian wretchedness, Indian destitution, when it is projected throughout the world through our films in the international scene, it becomes a disgrace to our country. Will the Government, therefore, go into this question and evolve a policy? Shri K. K. Shah: It is true that some propaganda is carried on, but what can be done.

Shri R. K. Sinha: Sir, what I said was, when Indian destitution is permitted to be depicted through our agency it becomes a disgrace. I know a person who when he attended an international conference wanted to invite some friends to India and they asked him: "If we come to India will we get enough food, will you be able to properly house us and entertain us?" This type of thing should not be permitted.

Mr. Speaker: He also agrees with it.

Shri M. L. Sondhi: Is the hon. Minister aware of the importance of Pushtu programme; if so, may I know why instead of increasing the duration of Pushtu language programme recently the staff has been curtailed?

Shri K. K. Shah: So far as the Pushtu programme is concerned, it is being looked after very well.

Shri M. L. Sondhi: I asked about increase in the duration of the programme, not whether it is well looked after.

Shri K. K. Shah: The present programme is more than enough. If the hon, Member will come to me I will satisy him.

की कुलघीवास जाववः जैसा कि ग्रभी कहा गया है, पाकिस्तान रेडियो, ताशकन्द रेडियो ग्रांत कई दूसरे देशों के द्वारा भारत के खिलाफ प्रचार किया जाता है। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि इस संबंध में हमारी पालिसी क्या है—दूसरे देश हमारे खिलाफ जमे गलत प्रचार करते हैं, क्या हम ने केवल उस का विरोध करना है या उन देशों में जो परिस्थितिया हैं ग्रीर घटनायें हैं, क्या हम ने उन के संबंध में भी प्रचार करना है।

Shri K. K. Shah: For the information my of my hon. friend I may say that, as for example, when Peking radio has been carrying on propaganda against us we have been pointing out what happened to other parts of the country, what is their relationship, how they have let them down etc.

Shri Samar Guha: May I know whether Government has any special programme for the eastern region of the sub-continent of India and whether in view o fthe delicate and sensitive nature of the programme involved that programme is guided by an expert committee?

Shri K. K. Shah: We are at present broadcasting every day 11 news bulletins in six languages for Africa— English, Gujarati, Arabic, Sinhalese, French and Hindi—and 16 news bulletins in nine languages for South East Asla—English, Hindi, Tamil, Indonesian, Chinese, Burmese....

Shri Samar Guha: You have not understood the importance of my question. When the Prime Minister was the minister of Information and Broadcasting I had submitted a lengthy programme.

* धी प्रेम खन्द वर्माः क्या सरकार चीन ग्रौर पाकिस्तान के जहरीले प्रचार का कड़े उंग से जवाब देने के लिए सांइंटिफिक तरीके प्रख्यार करने पर विचार करेगी ? जब चीन ग्रौर पाकिस्तान हमारे राजनैतिक हालात को गलत तौर पर पेश करते हैं, तो क्या सरकार चीन ग्रौर पाकिस्तान के राजनैतिक हालात को ग्रसल तरीके से, वास्तविवक तरीके से, दुनिया के सामने पेश करने के वारे में कोई कदम उठाएगी ? काश्मीर ग्रौर हिमाचल प्रदेश के जो सरहदी इलाके हैं, क्या सरकार वहां पर वड़े ट्रांसमिटर लगा कर पहाड़ी लोगों को भी ग्रपने हालात मुनने का मौका देगी ?

Shri K. K. Shah: Sir, as I pointed out, two very big powerful transmitters, medium wave and short wave, that also cf 250 Kw. are being installed and due care is taken so far as

this border and that border are concerned.

Mr. Speaker: He was talking about pahadi log.

Shri K. K. Shah: So far as Himachal Pradesh is concerned, for the last three years we have been requesting the Himachal Pradesh Government to give us a site and we have not been able to get a site to irstall a 100 Kw. transmitter in Simila with the result that we will be obliged to shift it to Chandigarh.

Mr. Speaker: Shri Kameshwar Singh.

Shri Samar Guha: Sir, I want your protection. My question, which was very specific, was not answered. I referred to the eastern region of the Indian sub-continent and the Minister did not understand it. In view of the delicate situation in that sensitive area—I referred to the eastern region of the Indian sub-continent and not South East Asia....

Mr. Speaker: Has the Minister anything to say on this?

Shri K. K. Shah: As I said, broadcasts are made in Burmese, Russian, Tamil, Hindi and English.

Shri Nath Pai: He was referring to the eastern sub-continent; the language should be Bengali.

Shri K. K. Shah: Sir, I was answering supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1478 and not 1477. Therefore, when any question is asked, I take it for granted that it is in respect of Question No. 1478.

Shri Samar Guha: I referred to the eastern region of India. Is it not within the purview of counteracting anti-Indian propaganda?

Shri K. K. Shah: The question is "the steps which have been taken by Government....in Asian and African countries" and Asia does not mean India. **Shri Samar Guha:** If the Minister cannot understand my question, J cannot help it . . . (*interruptions*).

Shri Surendranath Dwivedi: Sir, although you permitted the supplementary, the Minister takes shelter under the plea that it relates to another question.

Shri K. K. Shah: I will come back to Starred Question No. 1477. Broadcasting is made from Gauhati, Imphal, Kurseong, Kohima, Agartala, Siliguri, Calcutta a nd Pasighat.

श्वी कामेश्वर सिंह : प्रध्यक्ष महोदय, क्या मंत्री महोदय बतायेंगे कि 11 जुलाई के रेडियो मास्को का जो बंगाली प्रोग्राम था उस की ग्रोर उनका ध्यान गया है ग्रौर 16 जून का जो बी॰ बी॰ सो॰ का प्रोग्राम है इन दोनों प्रोग्रामों में भारत के ग्रान्तरिक राप्ट्रीय जीवन पर कोचड़ उछाला गया है क्या उनकी ग्रोर ध्यान गया है ग्रौर उनका क्या कोई विरोध-पत्र भेजा है ?

Shri K. K. Shah: I will require notice.

भी कंवर लाल गुप्तः मंती महोदय बताएंगे मजबूत ट्रांसमिटर भारत के मलावा दूसरे देशों से भी मंगाने की कोशिश क्या उन्होंने की है ग्रीर प्रमेरिका ने क्या कोई मजबूत ट्रांसमीटर देने का प्राफर किया था भीर उस में कुछ कंडीशंस भी लगायी थीं? बह डील खत्म हो गया या ग्रमी बाकी है?

Shri K. K. Shah: It is true that the deal with America did not come off. But we have already secured two big high-power transmitters from Yugoslavia and Russis SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

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38. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : श्री रघुवीर सिंह झास्त्री : श्री यशवंत सिंह कुशवाह : श्री झाल्म वास : श्री हुक्म चन्द कछवाय : श्री हुक्म चन्द कछवाय : श्री रामावतार शर्मा : श्री शिवकुमार शास्त्री : डा॰ सूर्य प्रकाश पुरी : श्री श्रीवन्त्र गोयल:

क्या **शिक्षा** मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे किः

(क) क्या स्टाकहोम मे हुए प्रति-लिप्याधिकार सम्मेलन में भाग लेने जो प्रतिनिधिमण्डल गया था, वह वापस ग्रा गया है;

(ख) प्रतिनिधि मण्डल ने किन बातों पर विशेष बल दिया प्रीर क्या किसी श्रंश तक भारतीय प्रस्ताव स्वीकार हुए ;

(ग) प्रतिलिप्याधिकार करार के झनु-सार भारत को झब कितनो राशि देनी पड़ेगी ; झीर

(घ) प्रतिलिप्याधिकार सम्मेलन कं निर्णयों से भारत सरकार कहां तक सहमत है ?

ीक्षका मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (की कोर सिंह): (क) जी, हां।

(ख) भारतीय प्रतिनिधि-मण्डल ने विकासशील देशों के बारे में पूर्वलेख (प्रोटो-काल) की स्वीइति तथा लोकगीतों के संरक्षण के संबंध में विशष बल दिया था। ये प्रस्ताव प्रधिकांशतः मंजूर कर लिए गए हैं।