

भारत-बर्मा सीमा पर सशस्त्र बर्मा नागार्जो की गतिविधियां

*427. श्री मोठा लाल मोना : क्या प्रति रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सशस्त्र बर्मा नागार्जो ने चीन के उकसाने पर भारत-बर्मा सीमा पर अपनी गतिविधियां पुनः आरम्भ कर दी हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस बारे में सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री (श्री जगजीवन राम) :

(क) और (ख) . सरकार को ऐसी कोई सूचना नहीं है। तदपि उस क्षेत्र में उग्रवादी तत्वों की हिंसक गतिविधि को रोकने के लिये हमारी सुरक्षा सेनाएं आवश्यक उपाय कर रही हैं।

Location of Emerald Belt in Rajasthan

*428. SHRI SITARAM KESRI :
SHRI J. AHMED :
SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a 160-mile emerald belt has been located between Ajmer and Udaipur in Rajasthan ;

(b) whether the work of location was done by the Indian experts or by any other foreign agency or team and if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to exploit the same commercially ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI NITIRAJ SINGH CHAUDHARY) :
(a) Yes, Sir. Emerald-bearing pegmatites occur in isolated patches in a belt, about 200 kilometres long, which is located in Ajmer and Udaipur districts.

(b) The work was done by the Indian experts only.

(c) Most of the area is under lease with private entrepreneurs. Up-to-date figures are not available regarding production of Emerald in the private sector. Information is being collected and will be placed before the House. In the public sector, however, the National Mineral Development Corporation is also carrying out feasibility studies for mining the Gamguda deposit in Udaipur area.

Crash of an Aircraft near Gorakhpur

*429. SHRI A. SREEDHARAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether an aircraft crashed near Gorakhpur on the 24th October, 1970 as reported in the 'Sunday Standard', dated the 25th October, 1970 ;

(b) if so, the cause of accident ;

(c) the number of persons killed and the estimated financial loss in this accident ; and

(d) whether any inquiry has been ordered by the Government and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The pilot, who was the sole occupant of the aircraft, was killed. A Court of Inquiry has been ordered to investigate the accident. Its report is awaited.

Strength of Pakistan Army

*430. SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Pakistan is better armed than India as reported in the *Statesman*, dated the 24th October, 1970 ;

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

(c) the present strength of Pakistani Army ; and

(d) the steps which Government propose to take to meet the situation ?