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## Surrender of National Awards on **Punjab Issue**

- 2211. SHRI SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the names of the recipients of the national awards who have recently returned the awards protesting against Government's action Punjab; and
- of ex-military names generals who have criticised Government on this account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA):

- (a) Shri Khushwant Singh, a recipient of Padma Bhushan has in a communication renounced the award. Shri Sadhu Singh Hamdard, a recipient of Padma Shri has returned the Sanad and the Medal.
- (b) The Government do not have complete information in this regard.

### **Setting ap of Satellite Communication** Terminal at Islamabad

### 2212. SHRI RAMANAND YADAV: SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Pakistan Government has signed an agreement with the Chinese Government to set-up a satellite communication terminal at Islamabad:

(b) whether it is also a fact that above-mentioned satellite terminal is capable of electronic re-connaissance and possible intelligence collaboration between the two countries against India; and

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(c) if the answer to parts (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, what steps Government have taken to counter the intelligence collection from India through the satellite?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Reports in the Pakistani Press in April 1984 state that the Peoples Republic of China Press Agency Xinhua had approached the Pakistan Government set up satellite transmission arrangements between Islamabad and their Hong Kong regional office for the dissemination of news and that Pakistan President had offered to allot free of cost a piece of land in Islamabad for the satellite station proposed to be built by Xinhua for the flow of news from Pakistan.

- (b) The Government do not have information that the above terminal will have capabilities Ifor "electronic reconnaissance".
  - (c) Does not arise.

#### Sealing off 'Burma Border along Arunachal Pradesh

# 2213. SHRI RAMANAND YADAV: SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR:

- ♦ Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are aware that the extremists from Nagaland, Mizoram and Bangladesh have crossed into Arunachal Pradesh along the Burma border and these extremists