

[Shri P. R. Kumaramangalam]

With regard to costs I would like to inform the hon. Members that the INSAT-1D—there is nothing secret about it—had cost us in US dollars \$ 60 million at 1985 prices. That is about Rs. 80 crores at 1985 exchange rates. While the INSAT-2A indigenously built satellite alone has cost us Rs. 78 crores today it is estimated that if we had imported this INSAT-2 class of satellites—which is a far superior class of satellites and if we had procured it from the US sources which, of course, is not available now—it would have ranged between \$ 80 million and 100 million. That is approximately Rs. 240 crores to Rs. 300 crores. The difference, as you would notice, is almost a little more than three times. It definitely goes to the credit of our scientists. They have been able to show the state of art spacecraft they have been able to design, build and save not only the foreign exchange, but also the expense. This is exactly what is upsetting a lot of people the world over.

Recently there has been a ban on ISRO due to the Missile Technology Control Regime issue. We have already communicated through the External Affairs Ministry that we are not happy about the ban that has been put, but it is our view that the MTCR can be interpreted in many ways. We believe that their interpretation is not a fair interpretation because the technology which we are talking about, the cryogenic engine technology, cannot be really used in missiles at all. It is used in launch vehicles for satellites. But in any event we believe the reason essentially behind it is more from commercial and less from military or strategic points of view.

SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: What about the difference between the INSAT-1 and INSAT-2 series?

SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM: About the difference between INSAT-1 and INSAT-2 series there are a series of things, but fundamentally to understand that I would like to say that in INSAT-1 series we have 12 transponders, whereas on INSAT-2 we have got 18 transponders. The facilities of INSAT-2 series are go-

ing to very large arenas of difference. In fact, more than that, we have in provision in it a two-way communication which our friends must have seen it, that sitting in Delhi from an earth station you can communicate a village directly. And while you are teaching the teachers could even be asked questions from those who are viewing the lessons down in the village back to the TV station. There two-way communication facility under INSAT-2A. Not only that, the INSAT-2A series has, in addition, the new rescue beacon facility, which the other series did not have. Moreover, the television services have been increased, as I have mentioned earlier, due to transponders. We have a very small aperture terminal service, larger and better meteorological facilities available and that we have the disaster warning system.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SUKOMAL SEN): Mr. Minister, you have replied to all these points.

SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM: No. He wanted to know the difference.

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SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: He is replying better than a scientist.

SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM: Regarding its class, what should be said in simple terms, between INSAT-1 and INSAT-2 series, the difference is really very marginal. When we complete INSAT-2 series, we would be one of those nations in the world which can claim one of the best communication services through space. I thank the Members who have asked for clarifications on the statement.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SUKOMAL SEN): Thank you.

II-Reounter between the police and the terrorists on 11th August, in Paschim Vihar, Delhi

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SUKOMAL SEN): Now the other statement of Mr. Jacob remains. I request the Members to be very brief. Mr. Anant

Ram Jaiswal, Mr. David Ledger, Mr. Sarada Mohanty, Dr. Abrar Ahmed, Shri Ram Ratan Ram—not here, Shrimati Satya Bahin.

आप संक्षेप में ही बोलिये ।

श्रीमती सत्या बहिन (उत्तर प्रदेश) : जी हां, मैं बिल्कुल संक्षेप में ही पूछूंगी और इतने पूछने वालों में मैं अकेली ही रह गई हूँ। कन्फ्रिकेशन के लिए जो बयान माननीय मंत्री जी ने दिया है उसमें बहुत संक्षेप में मैं कुछ महत्वपूर्ण बातें पूछना चाहती हूँ। एक तो जो आतंकवादी, एक व्यक्ति जो भाग गया था, तो उसकी खोज कितनी की जा रही है और उसकी दूरदर्शन पर कोई फोटो प्रचारित की या नहीं? कोई फोटो वगैरह इस तरह की मिली, क्योंकि जैसा कि अखबारों से भी ज्ञात हुआ है कि उसके एक्शन जो थे, उसकी एक्टिविटीज मोहल्ले में काफी थी और सामान्यतः वह भी लोगों के साथ खेलता था और समारोहों में इकट्ठा होता था और घर में भी पार्टी वगैरह इक्ट्ठी होती थी। उसमें जाहिर है कि फोटोग्राफी जरूर होती होगी। तो इस तरह का कोई फोटो मिला है या नहीं? यदि मिली है, तो क्या उसका सदुपयोग दूरदर्शन पर या अखबारों में देने के लिए किया गया है?

दूसरा, मैं यह जानना चाहती हूँ कि जो आतंकवादी है, आजकल मंहगे मकान या तो रीसेटलमेंट कालोनीज में या कहीं भी ले लेते हैं। तो क्या यह संभव नहीं है कि प्रापर्टी डीलरों को इस तरह की हिदायतें दे दी जाये कि कोई भी नया व्यक्ति उस इलाके में आये और मंहगा मकान ले और न कुछ उसकी सदिग्ध कार्यवाही लगती हो, तो उसकी सूचना—मकान देने में कोई आपत्ति हो—वह तो एक नागरिक अधिकार है, लेकिन अगर उस पर कोई भी संदेह है, तो उसकी सूचना वहां के क्षेत्र के थाने को दे।

दूसरा मैं यह जानना चाहती हूँ ।
... (अवधान)

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री सुकोमल सेन) : दूसरा तो हो गया ।

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श्रीमती सत्या बहिन : दूसरा, कल के समाचार पत्रों में यह निकला है कि छह शक्तिशाली बम सीलमपुर में बरामद हुए हैं। क्या आतंकवादियों को इस तरह से जो उनका कार्यक्रम है और उनकी योजना है उसी का अंत तो नहीं है और यह जो तलाशी ली गई, उसमें क्या साइनायड के जो कैप्सूलज यह लोग रखते हैं, तो क्या उसमें यह साइनायड के कैप्सूल भी बरामद हुए? तलाशी लेने पर उनके घर का जो खास तौर से जहाँ घर होगा, उसका पता भी मिला, या नहीं?

एक बात इसमें यह दिया गया है कि उनका दरवाजा तोड़ा गया, जिस घर से यह बरामद हुए, लेकिन समाचार-पत्रों में उसके फोटो भी दिये गये हैं, उसका नक्शा दिया गया था कि छत तोड़ी गई और छत के ऊपर सुराख किया गया, उसमें से गोतावारी हुई या पुलिस वाली ने उसमें से गैस वगैरह छोड़ी। इसमें इसका कुछ उल्लेख नहीं दिया गया है।

इस कन्फ्रिकेशन के माध्यम से मैं उन पुलिस कमियों को भी बधाई देना चाहती हूँ जिन्होंने इस अभियान में भाग लिया था और उनको सफलता मिली। धन्यवाद।

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, there is nothing much to reply now.

Shrimati Satya Bahin asked some general questions. She wanted to know whether cyanid capsules were there with the terrorists. She also wanted to know whether any publicity was given and all that. She also wanted to know the stage of the progress of the case. I would like to inform the Member that when the investigation is going on, it is not easy for me to disclose the details of the investigation. Even today one of the terrorists, Mr. Avtar Singh was arrested. Before that Mr. Vijay Pal Singh was the first terrorist to be arrested

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from whom we got several clues, on the basis of which we have proceeded in the matter.

THE VICE CHAIRMAN (SHRI SU-KOMAL SEN): Excuse me. Was he the terrorist who ran away from the House?

SHRI M. M. JACOB: No. Mr. Amarjit Singh, who was a terrorist had escaped. There are several terrorist gangs operating in this area. I have mentioned about the details in my statement. To save the time of the House, I was trying to be brief.

The bombs detected yesterday do not relate to these terrorists. At the same time, if you want information about the progress of the inquiry, there have been 7 cases of bomb blasts out of which 2 cases have already been detected.

There have been four cases of shoot-out out of which three have been worked out in recent days, here in Delhi. The police is doing a fairly good job and that is why about 31 militants, including 17 Kashmiri militants, and harbourers were arrested recently. The person now arrested—Sir, you asked the question—is a harbourer and not a real militant.

I think there is no other question pending answer now. Thank you very much.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SU-KOMAL SEN): The House now stands adjourned till 11 a.m. tomorrow.

The House then adjourned at six minutes past Seven of the clock till eleven of the clock on Tuesday, the 18th August, 1992.