

report is correct, and if so, how the Government of India is responding to it.

SHRI I. K. GUJRAL : So far as our information goes, the United States of America has advised Pakistan not to try to internationalise the issue.

PROF. CHANDRESH P. THAKUR : Mr. Chairman Sir, what is happening between India and Pakistan has a lot of link historically with what the United States of America has been doing in relation to Pakistan, whether it is with regard to the defence aid that they are getting, whether it is with regard to their attitude towards Kashmir or whether it is with regard to the United Nations attitude towards Pakistan's stand in international fora. So far as Kashmir issue is concerned, they have been deeply involved. Is there some evidence that whatever we have been doing either bilaterally with the United States or at the international forum, the Government of India is making some progress and was there some progress evident in the Gates mission when that gentleman came and met the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister ? If so, what are the concrete results ?

SHRI I. K. GUJRAL : Sir, I do not like to make tall claims. That is not my way of thinking in our projection. But I would say that we are feeling satisfied that our position is being by and large appreciated by most of the world.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Sir, the observation made by the Bush Administration regarding the Kashmir issue has not gone in favour of India. In this connection, I want to know whether the Government had prior information about the visit of the U.S. team or not. Secondly, I want to know whether the Government consider it to be a fact-finding Mission or a goodwill Mission. And

thirdly, I want to know what will be the reaction of the Government regarding the findings of Mr. Robert Gates.

SHRI I. K. GUJRAL : Sir, sending special envoys by Heads of Government and Heads of State is part of normal diplomatic activity these days and between friendly countries, this is always a welcome gesture and therefore when this delegation came, we welcomed them, we met them at all levels and we explained our position and heard their point of view.

*406- [The questioner (Shri Rajni Ranjan Sahu) was absent. For answer, vide Col. 33 infra],

Pakistan Prime Minister's visit to Arab States

*407. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of Prime Minister of Pakistan Ms. Benazir Bhutto's current visit to eight West Asian States to elicit support against India on the Kashmir issue ; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to further explain to the Governments of this region the reality of Pakistan's interference in the internal affairs of India and also creating war hysteria ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KI-SHORE SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Concerned Governments have been fully apprised of Pakistan's support and encouragement to terrorism and subversion directed against India. Broadly speaking, the response has been positive and one of understanding.

We shall continue to keep these and other countries informed of the factual position and our standpoint.

श्री शांति त्यागी : सभापति महोदय, वेस्ट एशिया के 8 देशों में जहाँ पाकिस्तान की प्रधान मंत्री, गवर्नर हैं मैं मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या कोई सरकार इन मुल्कों में ऐसी भी है जिसने पाकिस्तान के पक्ष का काश्मीर के प्रश्न पर समर्थन किया हो, नम्बर एक, और यह भी जानना चाहता हूँ कि अगले महीनों में जो मुस्लिम कंट्रीज का वर्ल्ड सम्मेलन हो रहा है इसमें काश्मीर का प्रश्न न उठे इसके लिए भारत सरकार ने क्या कदम उठाये हैं या उठाने वाले हैं?

श्री हरि किशोर सिंह : सभापति जी, अधिकतर देशों में जहाँ पाकिस्तान की प्रधान मंत्री श्रीमती बेनजोर भुट्टो गई हैं वहाँ उनको निराशा ही हाथ लगी है। जहाँ तक हम लोगों को सूचना है जैसा कि विदेश मंत्री ने अभी पिछले प्रश्न के उत्तर में बताया था कि जहाँ जहाँ भी वह गई है अधिकतर देशों में उनको निराशा ही हाथ लगी है और हम लोगों की यह कोशिश रही है कि आर्गेनाइजेशन आफ इस्लामी कॉन्फ्रेंस में यह प्रश्न इस रूप में नहीं उठे।

श्री शांति त्यागी : जवाब ठीक नहीं है।

श्री हरि किशोर सिंह : आपने पूछा है कि 8 देशों में जहाँ-जहाँ गई हैं...।

श्री शांति त्यागी : इन मुल्कों में क्या कोई एक या दो मुल्क ऐसे भी हैं जहाँ पाकिस्तान के पक्ष का वहाँ की सरकारों ने समर्थन किया हो, यह मेरा प्रश्न है ?

SHRI I. K. GUJRAL : Sir, the question pertains to the Pakistan Prime Minister's visit to several countries. As my colleague was saying, by and large, the views that she met with were not in conformity with her desires. Some countries, one or two, may have said different things. But, by and large, her position was not appreciated.

श्री शांति त्यागी : इस्लामिक कंट्रीज के सम्मेलन में यह प्रश्न न उठे उसके लिए क्या कर रहे हैं ?

SHRI I. K. GUJRAL : Pakistan has been making efforts for some time now that this should be included in the agenda. Since the Islamic Conference has been postponed, we have been trying to explain to various participants in the Conference that this is an issue which does not involve religion.

श्रीमती कमला सिन्हा : सभापति महोदय, आपके माध्यम से मैं सरकार से एक ही प्रश्न पूछना चाहूँगी, श्रीमती बेनजोर भुट्टो उनका जो अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय दौरा हुआ वह इसीलिए हुआ कि पाकिस्तान के पक्ष में मुस्लिम कंट्रीज की एक राय बने कि वह सही काम कर रही हैं, क्या हमारी ओर से भी इस तरह का कोई दौरे का कार्यक्रम सरकार कर रही है जिससे हम भी दुनिया की राय को बदल सकें और अपनी ओर कर सकें या काश्मीर के मामले में सही बात दुनिया को बता सकें ? क्या सरकार इस तरह का कुछ कर रही है या सोच रही है ?

SHRI I. K. GUJRAL : Sir, I had just submitted that I am not given to making tall claims. But I would derive satisfaction from the fact that most of the Arab countries have appreciated our point of view.

श्रीमती कमला सिन्हा : सभापति महोदय, मैंने अरब कंट्रीज के बारे में नहीं कहा है। मैंने कहा है कि क्या भारत सरकार भी कोई इस तरह की योजना बना रही है कि दुनिया के सामने काश्मीर के मामले में हमारा जो स्टैंड है उसे रखें और उसके लिए हम डेलीगेशन लेकर लोगों से बात करें ?

श्री सभापति : आप दूसरे देशों में कोई डेलीगेशन बगैरह भेजेंगे ?

' SHRI L. K. GUJRAL : Sir, the style of diplomacy of this Government is non-spectacular. We work in depth and we work silently."

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question No. 408. Dr. Thulasi Reddy.

SHRI P. UPENDRA: Sir, I can presume that he has put the question.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question No. 408. Dr. Thulasi Reddy. Question No. 409.'

DR. "NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Sir... (Interruptions)

MR.-CHAIRMAN :No. -Now he cannot put it. I palled him twice, I have now called Question No. 409. Question No. 409.

*408. [For answer, vide col. 33-34 infra].

Effect of cyclone devastation on sound and light performance

at Vijayawada*409. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

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(a) whether it is a fact that during the recent cyclone devastation in coastal Andhra, the Song and Drama Division conducting sound and light performance at Vijayawada was badly affected; if so, what was the extent of damage ; and

(b) what steps have been taken by Government to recoup the damage ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA) : (a) Yes, Sir. - .The extent of damage in terms of money was around Rs.75000 75,000/

(b) The damaged material and equipments are being replaced/repared.

DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Sir, I would like to know when the programmes are going to be regularly shown after restoration ?

SHRI P. UPENDRA : Sometime in December/January when the weather clears.

DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : We will be having rain during that period. Can you ensure that those programmes are shown afterwards ?

SHRI P. UPENDRA: It is already decided to telecast in December and January.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

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*404. श्री राम जेटमलानी :

सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 2 जनवरी, 1990 के "हिन्दू" में "पैनल हिट्स आउट एट पुलिस फंक्शनिंग" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि उक्त समिति ने दिल्ली के वर्तमान पुलिस ढाँचे में विद्यमान खामियों की ओर सरकार का ध्यान अकषित किया है;

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो क्या सरकार ने इस दिशा में कोई सुधारात्मक कदम उठाए हैं;