

out of 314 projects under implementation have time over runs. The original and anticipated cost of these

projects under different sectors are as below :—

	No. of projects	(Rs. in crores)	
		Original cost	Latest cost
Atomic Energy	2	631.5	1194.4
Coal	55	3618.2	6958.1
Fertilisers	8	668.2	1924.9
Mines	3	1294.6	2560.6
Steel & Iron Ore	8	5732.6	14401.9
Chemicals & Petrochemicals	5	326.1	402.2
Petroleum & Natural Gas	18	7054.0	7403.3
Power	31	9629.7	14713.9
Paper, Cement (DPE)	8	440.3	1024.9
Railways	18	767.7	2076.4
Surface Transport	16	1370.1	2115.1
Telecommunications	2	34.3	89.5
	174	31567	54865

The cost increase in the aggregate of the 174 delayed projects with reference to their original approval is 74%.

3. Ministry have presented an exhaustive analysis in respect of each project under implementation, as also the various problem solving initiatives and other efforts taken, with the objective of improving project implementation, in the Annual Report for 1988-89, already circulated to Members during the Budget Session of Parliament.

**Indo-Pak talks regarding Siachen issue**

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THA KIRUTTINAN:**

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Secretaries of India and Pakistan met at Islamabad recently to defuse the Siachen situation between the two countries;

@Previously unstarred question 205 transferred from the 19th July, 1989.

(b) if so, what is the outcome of the meeting and whether both sides have decided to re-deploy their forces to the pre-1972 position; existing at the time of the signing of the Shimla agreement as marked by Dr. Humayun Khan of Pakistan after the end of the talks between the two countries;

(c) what is the current actual line of control held by India on the ground on the Siachin and the claims put forth by Pakistan on this issue and also the Indian point of view;

(d) what is the latest thinking of India and Pakistan to resolve the conflict and whether India has given any indication of giving any concession to Pakistan unilaterally drawn line to the Kurakoram pass ignoring the current line of control held by India; and

(e) if so, what are the details of the proposals and its impact on the proposed talks with China?

THE MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF  
DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND  
SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY  
OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. L.  
BAITHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A copy of the joint press release, issued at the end of the talks, is at Statement I. Government's reaction to the statement of the Pak Foreign Secretary a day after these talks, was clarified by the official spokesman on 19th June, 1989 (Statement II).

(c) and (d) It would not be advisable to disclose Indian military positions on the ground. Both India and Pakistan have agreed to an early resolution of the Siachin issue in accordance with the Simla Agreement. Government have not given any indication of making any unilateral concessions in the matter.

(e) Does not arise.

#### Statement—I

#### Joint Press Release—Fifth Round

The fifth round of talks between the Defence Secretaries of India and Pakistan was held in Rawalpindi from 15 to 17 June 1989.

#### 2. The Indian delegation comprised the following :—

- a. Shri Naresh Chandra  
Secretary Defence
- b. HE Mr J.N. Dixit  
Indian Ambassador at Islamabad
- c. Shri N.N. Vohra  
Secretary Department of Defence Production & Supply
- d. Shri A.K. Chatterji,  
Joint Secretary (G)  
Ministry of Defence
- e. Shri Satish Chandra  
Joint Secretary (AP)  
Ministry of External Affairs
- f. Lt. Gen V.K. Singh  
Director General  
Military Operations

- g. Maj. Gen. R.K. Gulati  
Additional Director General  
Military Operations
- h. Brig. M.R. Sharma  
HQ Northern Command
- i. Shri Ranga Chari  
Deputy Chief of Mission  
Indian Embassy in Islamabad
- j. Brig. B.N. Raizada  
Indian Defence Attache, Islamabad

3. The Pakistan delegation comprised the following :—

- a. Syed Ijlal Haider Zaidi  
Secretary Defence
- b. HE Mr. Niaz A. Naik  
Pak Ambassador at New Delhi
- c. Lt Gen Imtiaz Warraich  
Director General Joint Staff  
Joint Staff Headquarters
- d. Maj Gen Raja Mohammad Iqbal  
Additional Defence Secretary-I
- e. Maj Gen Anis Ali Syed  
Surveyor General of Pakistan
- f. Maj Gen Jehangir Karamat  
Director General  
Military Operations  
General Headquarters
- g. Mr Aziz Ahmad Khan  
Director General (SA)  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- h. Mr Naimat Ullah  
Joint Secretary (IS)  
Ministry of Defence
- i. Brig Alkuli Khan Khattak  
HQ 10 Corps
- j. Brig Ikram-ul-haq  
Director Military Operations (Ops)
- k. Gp Capt Qazi Javid Ahmad  
Pak DAA at New Delhi

4. During the visit, Shri Naresh Chandra, Defence Secretary of India called on the President, the Prime Minister, the Adviser for Defence and the Chief of the Army Staff. In these meetings, the Defence Secretary of India conveyed the greetings and good wishes of the Indian leaders and their desire to see an early and peacefully negotiated settlement of the Siachen issue.

5. The discussions were held in a cordial and friendly atmosphere. Both sides discussed specific proposals aiming at an early settlement of the Siachen issue in accordance with the Simla agreement. There was agreement by both sides to work towards a comprehensive settlement, based on redeployment of forces to reduce the chances of conflict, avoidance of the use of force

and the determination of future positions on the ground so as to conform with the Simla Agreement and to ensure durable peace in the Siachen area. The Army authorities of both sides will determine these positions.

6. They agreed that after an indepth examination of such proposals the next round of talk between the Defence Secretaries will be held at New Delhi in the near future.

*Rawalpindi*

17th June, 1989

#### Statement—II

### MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

#### (XP DIVISION)

### OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT

#### PAKISTAN : SIACHEN

To a question about the authenticity of reports quoting Pakistan Foreign Secretary that India and Pakistan have agreed to pull back to the pre 2nd July, 1972, positions of administrative control in Siachen, Spokesman gave the following clarifications :

"I would like to draw your attention once again to the Joint Press Release issued in Rawalpindi on 17th June, 1989, in particular to the following portion of this press release, which quote : 'The discussions were held in a cordial and friendly atmosphere. Both sides discussed specific proposals aiming at an early settlement of the Siachen issue in accordance with the Simla agreement. There was agreement by both sides to work towards a comprehensive settlement, based on redeployment of forces to reduce the chance of conflict, avoidance of the use of force and the determination of future positions on the ground so as to conform with the Simla Agreement and to ensure durable peace in the Siachen area. The Army authorities of both sides will determine these positions.

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The above statement was made by the Defence Secretaries jointly after they negotiated together for three days, & indicates that there is an agreement on approach and an agreement on the exploration of proposals. The army authorities of both sides have been charged with the responsibility of examining the question and of putting up proposals to their respective governments.

When a correspondent drew Spokesman's attention to the fact that the news reports quotes the Pakistani Foreign Secretary, Spokesman clarified that the Pakistani Foreign Secretary was not present at the said talks. The joint press statement was drafted by the two Defence Secretaries and "I think we should go by that".

When asked to clarify what the situation in Siachen had been before 1972, Spokesman said "I have nothing further to clarify on that. This matter is being looked into by both the Army Commanders and it would be most accurate to go at present by the joint press statement. The statement indicates an agreed time frame and also carries the assurance that the two Defence Secretaries will meet again at Delhi, in the near future." He drew attention to the fact that there is absolutely no indication of any agreement or disagreement regarding pre 1972 positions in Siachen, in the joint press statement.

Spokesman refused to comment when one Correspondent asked whether the Pakistani Foreign Secretary was indulging in disinformation. He also did not agree with a correspondent's suggestion that the Simla Agreement would go the way of the Sri Lankan Accord and would not be binding on both countries. Spokesman clarified that both governments were set on resolving their problems through a process of negotiation and friendship.

New Delhi

19th June, 1989