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(d) if so, the financial commitments made by the Government of India in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (PROF. SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) (a) The project report has not been sent by the State Government so far.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

#### WASHING AWAY OF MILITARY TRUCKS DUE TO FLOOD IN ALAKNANDA

645. SHRI N. G. GORAY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several army trucks have been washed away in the recent floods of Alaknanda river near Joshimath-Chamoli road;

(b) if so, the details of the loss; and

(c) whether any army units rushed to the area to assist the civilians?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA): (a) and (b) One 3-ton Army vehicle was washed away in the floods.

(c) Yes, Sir. The troops located in the area assisted the Civil authorities in the rescue operations.

#### †ENTRY OF CHINA-TRAINED NAGAS INTO NAGALAND

54. SHRI BANKA BEHARY DAS: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 60 China-trained underground Naga hostiles entered into Nagaland in the first week of June, 1970;

(b) whether Indian army units or Border Security Force were posted at the place of entry;

(c) whether there was any armed clash with the Naga hostiles; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) and (b) All possible steps have been taken to intensify the vigilance against the entry of China-trained Nagas into India, and it should not be possible for them to come through except in very small numbers.

(c) and (d) There has been no clash with the armed underground recently.

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#### CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

#### RECENT EDITION OF THE GREAT SOVIET ENCYCLOPAEDIA CONTAINING A MAP OF ASIA SHOWING INDIAN TERRITORY AS CHINESE

SHRI M. K. MOHTA (Rajasthan): I call the attention of the Minister of External Affairs to the recent edition of the Great Soviet Encyclopaedia containing a political map of Asia showing large chunks of Indian territory as Chinese.

[MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair]

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH): Sir it is unfortunate that the Soviet publications have been publishing maps containing wrong delineation of India's northern boundaries inspite of the fact that we have been continuously taking up this matter with the Soviet authorities through diplomatic channels and at higher levels.

The political map of Asia in the latest edition of the first volume of the "Great Soviet Encyclopaedia" was brought to our attention by our Embassy in Moscow in June, 1970, and

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