

(b) whether Government of India have been consulted about the list of invitees and the proposed agenda; and

(c) if so, whether the Chinese aggression against India is included as an item in the proposed agenda?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) India participated in the Preparatory Meeting of 23 Non-aligned countries held in Colombo in March 1964 in which the list of new invitees and the draft agenda for the second conference of non-aligned countries were discussed.

(c) Since the Conference is not intended to discuss disputes between member States or disputes between member States and others, the question of the inclusion of an item pertaining to Chinese aggression against India did not arise.

INVITATION TO PAKISTAN PRESIDENT FOR VISIT TO INDIA

O., / SHRI P. ABRAHAM: \
SHRI I. K. GUJRAL-

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister has invited President of Pakistan to a meeting in New Delhi; and

(b) if so, whether the invitation has been accepted?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH): (a) In an exchange of letters with the President of Pakistan, the Prime Minister has agreed that they should meet at a suitable opportunity, to discuss Indo-Pakistan problems. No formal invitation to visit Delhi has, however, been extended to the Pakistan President.

(b) President Ayub Khan has generally agreed that a meeting between him and the Prime Minister of India will be useful.

FRONTING AT KOHIMA BY NAGA HOSTILES

93. SHRI I. K. GUJRAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Naga hostiles raided and fired at Kohima on the 1st of August, 1964; and

(b) whether Government have been able to find out the source of trouble and what steps were taken to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A. M. THOMAS): (a) Yes, Sir. Naga hostiles armed with rifles, light machine guns, 51 mm and 81 mm mortar, attacked Kohima town from all the four directions at 1730 hours on 1st August 1964. Firing continued up to 1900 hours. Security Forces returned the fire and patrols were sent to search the suspected area. As a result, the following items were recovered:

(i) 303 ammunition—92 rounds.

(ii) Empty containers 2 inch mortar bombs—4.

(iii) Fuse 51 mm mortar.—1.

(iv) Some fired cases.

(b) The day of the incident was the Anniversary Day of the Army formation located in Kohima and the jawans were busy with preparations for the celebrations. Hostiles took this opportunity and apparently tried to create a disturbance. Our posts returned the hostile fire and patrols went out to search the area.

APPEALS OF POSTAL EMPLOYEES

94. SHRI BAHARUL ISLAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the average and

the maximum time taken in disposing of departmental appeals before the Jeneral of Posts and Tele-s during the years 1961-62, 1962-63 and 1963-64?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI) : The information will be compiled and placed on the Table of the Sabhc, as early as possible.

ZONAL DELIVERY SYSTEM IN GAUHATI

95. SHRI BAHARUL ISLAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the daily average number of letters and other postal articles delivered at Gauhati in Assam; and

(b) whether Government propose to introduce the zonal delivery system in Gauhati in the near future; and if so, by when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI):

(a) Letters (including Inland letter cards)—32470. Post cards—7796. Parcels—245. Money Orders—817.

(b) Yes, within a period of two months approximately.

AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE SYSTEM IN GAUHATI

96. SHRI BAHARUL ISLAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that automatic telephone system is going to be introduced in Gauhati; and

(b) if so, by when this system is likely to be in operation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): (a) Yes.

(b) Middle of 1965.

AIXOUEETTE HELICOPTERS

97. SHRI RAM SLNGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the time by when the first Indian assembled and the first Indian manufactured Allouette helicopters are likely to fly; and

(b) what was the original production schedule of the two types of helicopters and what is it now?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A. M. THOMAS): (a) and (b) It will not be in the public interest to disclose this information.

HEAD POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT RAIPUR

98. SHRI K. C. BAGHEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) when the Head Post and Telegraph Office at Raipur was shifted to the new building;

(b) the number of telegrams sent by post up till the 15th June, 1964 as a result of this shifting and the number of cases where cost of telegrams was refunded; and

(c) the sanctioned strength of telephone operators in the Telephone Exchange there and the number of operators actually appointed so far?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): (a) 5th April, 1964.

(b) Nil.

(c) 80 and 70 respectively.