

phlet by itself is not contradicted, but these allegations have been contradicted many times.

SHRI JASWANT SINGH: This pamphlet is an official pamphlet issued by the Government of China.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It is not official. That is what the answer says.

SHRI RAJENDRA PRATAP SINHA: If it is not official, will the Prime Minister draw the attention of the Government of China that such publications are being published from China?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: I do not think that would serve any particular purpose. It is rather undignified for us, in a matter like this, to go up to China, when we know that very often they are deliberately doing something which we disapprove of again and again. Why should we give publicity and attach so much importance to it to this pamphlet? The fact remains that that allegation has been contradicted.

SHRI RAJENDRA PRATAP SINHA: In the case of Nepal, Sir, there were publications issued by a number of agencies. Is it not a fact that the Government of India drew the attention of the Government of Nepal to such publications? If that is so, why does the Government consider it unnecessary to do that in the case of China?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: Well, Sir, I can hardly enter into any argument on this question. It is a question of judgment as to what, in a particular set of circumstances, is desirable or not in consonance with our dignity.

SHRI RAJENDRA PRATAP SINHA: Will the Government place that pamphlet in the Library so that we can have a look at it?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not know where the pamphlet is. Next question.

भारतीय सीमा के निकट पाकिस्तानी फौजी शिविर

*२५. { श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान† :
श्री महेश्वर नायक :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या "टाइम्स आफ इंडिया" के दिल्ली संस्करण में, २० मार्च, १९६१ को प्रकाशित यह समाचार सच है कि संयुक्त राज्य अमरीका की कांग्रेस की एक समिति ने, भारत की सीमा के निकट, पाकिस्तान में खारियान नामक स्थान पर ६५० लाख डालर की अमरीकी सहायता से बनाये गये फौजी शिविर की आलोचना की है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह शिविर भारतीय सीमा से कितनी दूर है ?

†[PAKISTAN ARMY CAMP NEAR INDIAN BORDER

*25. { SHRI NAWAB SINGH
CHAUHAN†:
SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the news item published in the Delhi edition of the "Times of India", dated the 20th March, 1961 to the effect that a Congressional Committee of the United States of America has criticized the location of the army camp at Kharian in Pakistan, near the Indian border, which has been built with American assistance of 65 million dollars, is correct; and

(b) if so, how far the camp is situated from the India border?]

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Nawab Singh Chauhan.

†[] English translation.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The camp is situated at Khar-ian Cantonment, near Jhelum about 12 miles from our Jammu border.

†**विदेशिक कार्य उपमंत्री (श्रीमती लक्ष्मी एन० मेनन) :** (क) जी हां ।

(ख) यह शिविर खारियान छावनी में स्थित है, जो हमारी जम्मू सीमा से लगभग १२ मील दूर, झेलम के निकट है ।]

श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान : क्या सरकार को किसी प्रकार से इस बात का अन्दाजा लग चुका है कि जो भारत की सीमा पर यह इतना भारी कैंप स्थापित किया गया है वह भारत से रक्षा के लिये स्थापित किया गया है या किसी और दूसरी मंशा से स्थापित किया गया है ?

श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू : यह कैंप पुराना है । इस वक्त इसका सवाल इसलिये उठा कि अमेरिकन एड से, मदद से, यह कुछ बढ़ाया गया है । इसीलिये यह सवाल वहां की सेनेट में उठा है । यह पुराना है । अब, इसका मैं या कोई क्या जवाब दे कि किस नीयत से यह वहां किया गया । माननीय सदस्य खुद इसको समझ सकते हैं कि हमारी सरहद के पास बड़ा कैंप किया जाये तो उससे कुछ न कुछ अन्देशा हमारे लिये होता ही है ।

SHRI N. M. LINGAM: May I know if the Government have asked the new Administration in the U.S.A. to give an assurance that the military aid given to Pakistan would not be allowed to be used against India?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: We have not asked the new Administration, but this question has been raised previously many times, and the Government of the U.S.A. have stated that the aid they give is not meant to be used for any purposes against India. That has been clearly stated.

†[] Hindi translation.

SHRI N. M. LINGAM: In view of the policy of the U. S. Government to continue military aid to Pakistan, has the Government thought of the desirability of telling them that continuance of such aid would, besides maintaining tension in this part of the world, be undoing their economic aid to these countries?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: The position is well known both to the Government of India and to the Government of the United States. It is not very befitting that we should go on protesting against what they do, unless something new happens.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: May I know, Sir, whether in the opinion of the Government of India the location of the army headquarters so near the Indian borders does or does not constitute a threat to the safety and security of India?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: It is a camp, Sir, not headquarters.

SHRI A. D. MANI: In view of the fact that this matter has come for enquiry in the Congressional Committee, would the Government of India now at least make a representation to the Government of the United States that the location of such American assistance-built centres near the borders of India creates tension in the sub-continent?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: As I have said, the camp is an old one. It is not a new camp. It has been strengthened, I believe. I do not myself see the desirability of protesting about this kind of thing to the United States Government or to the Pakistan Government. I do not know, an occasion might arise when this matter might be brought to their notice.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: The Prime Minister referred to a certain alleged statement that these arms would not be used against India. May I know, Sir, whether or necessary investigation the Government has satisfied itself that such a statement has any

basis either in the agreement signed or in the allied pacts, and whether it is not a fact that when such a report appeared in some quarters, the Pakistan authorities immediately repudiated this kind of suggestion, and since nothing has been said from the side of the Americans to say that these will not be used at all against India?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: So far as the United States Government is concerned, they have made their statement repeatedly and clearly. I think it is true, as the hon. Member said, that the Pakistan Government have not expressed their agreement to the statement of the United States Government. There the matter stands. We cannot compel the Pakistan Government to express their agreement and all we can do is to draw the attention of the United States Government to the situation.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Is the Prime Minister aware that when certain incidents took place on the eastern border of India—Assam East—Pakistan border and West Bengal—East Pakistan border—the weapons that were used, some guns and other things, were of American make, and these were brought to the notice of the authorities concerned on this side?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: Since the hon. Member reminds me and mentions this, I have a vague recollection that something of that kind might have happened.

SHRI RAJENDRA PRATAP SINHA: Will the Prime Minister be in a position to tell us whether the strengthening of this camp has been made for defensive purposes or offensive purposes? If the Prime Minister is in a position to state whether it is of an offensive nature or defensive nature, it will allay the feelings of the people to a large extent.

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: I am not expert enough or knowledgeable enough to distinguish between arms which can be used only for defence and not for offence.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next question.

फार्म्स प्रेस, अलीगढ़ की इमारतों में दरारें

*२६. श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान : क्या निर्माण, आवास और संभरण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि फार्म्स प्रेस, अलीगढ़ के जलपान-गृह, वेलफेयर क्लब तथा दो मंजिला शेड की दीवारों में दरारें आ गई हैं और वर्षा होने पर छतों से काफी पानी टपकता है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसे निर्माण के लिये कौन जिम्मेदार है ; और

(ग) इन इमारतों पर अलग अलग कितना कितना खर्च हुआ था ।

†[CRACKS IN THE BUILDINGS OF FORMS PRESS, ALIGARH

*26. **SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN:** Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cracks have appeared in the walls of the restaurant, welfare club and the double storeyed shed in the Forms Press, Aligarh, and the roofs leak profusely during rains;

(b) if so, who is responsible for such construction; and

(c) what was the cost incurred on each of these buildings?]

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA): (a) It is a fact that one or two cracks appeared in the walls of the canteen-cum-multipurpose hall used by the Welfare Club and the double-storeyed shed (Reels shed) in the Government of India Forms Press, Aligarh. Leakage

†[] English translation.