

RAJYA SABHA

Wednesday, 12th December, 1956.

The House met at eleven of the clock, Mr. CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

मलाया संघ की पुलिस द्वारा श्री रामास्वामी की गोली से हत्या

*२६८. श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या यह सच है कि मलाया संघ सरकार की पुलिस ने गत २२ सितम्बर को उत्तर सेलंगोर के रवांग जिले में श्री रामास्वामी नामक एक भारतीय युवक व उसके एक अन्य साथी को गोली से मार डाला, और यदि ऐसा है, तो इसके क्या कारण थे ?

†[SHRI RAMASWAMI SHOT DEAD BY MALAYA FEDERATION POLICE

*268. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the police of the Government of the Malaya Federation shot dead an Indian youth, named Shri Ramaswami, and one of his colleagues on the 22nd September last in the Rawang District of North Selangor, and if so, for what reasons?]

वैदेशिक कार्य मंत्री की संसदीय सचिव (श्रीमती लक्ष्मी मेनन) : जी हां, २१ सितम्बर, १९५६ को मलाया संघ की सरकार के पुलिस के विशेष दल ने सेलंगोर राज्य के रवांग जिले में ३६ वर्षीय रामास्वामी और उसके ३४ वर्षीय साथी रघीनंदन को गोली से मार डाला। उनके बारे में रिपोर्ट है कि वे कम्युनिस्ट आतंकवादि थे और वे पुलिस के विशेष दल के साथ हुई मुठभेड़ के फलस्वरूप मारे गये।

†[THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): Yes Sir.

On 21st September, 1956, a Police Special Squad of the Government of the Federation of Malaya shot dead Ramaswami, aged 36, and his col-

league, Radheendaran, aged 34, in the Rawang District of Selangor State. They were reported to be communist terrorists and killed as a result of an encounter with the Police Special Squad.]

श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या सरकार को सूचना है कि ये लोग मलाया में कितने दिनों से रह रहे थे और कितने दिनों से उनके टेरोरिस्ट होने का शुबहा था ?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: The first named Ramaswami was the vice-president of the Indian section of the Malayan Workers etc. He went underground in 1949. The other—Radheendaran was born in Betu Ranga area in Malaya. They were from families belonging to Betu Ranga and they were cattle owners.

श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या सरकार को इस बात की सूचना है कि ये वहां की सरकार की तरफ से प्रोक्लेम्ड अफ़ेडर्स घोषित किये गये थे अथवा नहीं ?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: They were proclaimed offenders belonging to the communist terrorist gang in Selangor.

श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या ये दोनों उन्हीं में से थे ?

श्रीमती लक्ष्मी मेनन : जी हां।

OBSERVATION ON MARS

*269. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the planet Mars came within 35,340,000 miles of the Earth on September 7, 1956, for the first time in 17 years;

(b) if so, whether Indian scientists kept a constant observation on the planet on that day; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the affirmative, what was the result of such observation ?

THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) Yes, it actually came within 35,200,000 miles (thirty-five million two hundred thousand miles) of the Earth.

†English translation.

(b) and (c). A constant watch on the planet was kept on that day by important observatories in India, but unfortunately no satisfactory observations could be made on that day owing to unfavourable weather conditions.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know, Sir, whether our scientists were in contact with those in other places, say, for instance, those in Japan, and do they know whether observers in other countries have been able to make any observations on the Mars?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: These observations are made independently though there is close liaison and collaboration between our expert observers and those in other countries and the results obtained are exchanged between the various observatories.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Is the Government aware that in Japan the Japanese scientists have come to the conclusion that there was a cloud on this planet and this is supposed to have been caused by a sand-storm? Was this verified by the Indian observers?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: Sir, on the 29th of August, 1956, as a result of photometry of the Mars in integrated light, it came to be detected that there was a bright yellow patch from the sinus meridiani to the west limb, which indicated that there might be some sand-storm or something like that. There was also a dark patch which probably indicated a cloud. But all these observations will have to be collated and correlated before any conclusions can be arrived at.

SHRI P. N. SAPRU: Who was the Indian scientist who kept observation? Who observed this planet on that day?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: The planet was observed from Kodaikanal Observatory and the Nizam's Observatory in Hyderabad and in Uttar Pradesh it was observed from Nainital. It was observed by different scientists.

SHRI P. N. SAPRU: Who were the scientists attached to these observatories?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: Sir, I would require notice to give all the details, the names etc. of these scientists.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: May I know, Sir, whether any remarkable or abnormal change or phenomenon appeared on our own planet here as a result of the proximity of Mars on that day?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: As I have already said, Sir, there was a dark marking across the planet near the south polar cap and this is extraordinary. Then there was the yellow mark also. These are extraordinary.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: But my question was whether in this planet, the Earth. . . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: That will do. Let us not concern ourselves overmuch with those distant bodies.

*270. [*The questioner (Shri Deokinandan Narayan was absent. For answer, vide cols. 2195-2196 infra.)*]

*271 and *272. [*For answers, vide cols. 2183-2184 infra.*]

पाकिस्तान स्थित भारतीय उच्च उपायुक्त के विरुद्ध पाकिस्तान द्वारा प्रचार

*२७३. श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को सूचना है कि पाकिस्तान स्थित भारतीय उच्च उपायुक्त के विरुद्ध यह कह कर प्रचार किया जा रहा है कि उनको विधान सभा में एलेक्टोरेट बिल पास हो जाने के उपलक्ष में डाका विधान सभा हाल में पुष्पमालायें पहनाई गई थीं यदि यह सच है तो इस घटना का विस्तृत विवरण क्या है; और

(ख) इस संबंध में सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है?