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Diplomatic Relations with Algeria

Shri Bibhuti Mishra: Shri S. M. Banerjee: *26. Shri P. C. Borooah:

*26. Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri Indrajit Gupta:
Shri D. C. Sharma: Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state the steps taken to establish political, economic and cultural relations with the Government of Algeria?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh): Immediately Algeria became independent the Government of India recognised it and proposed the appointment of an Indian Ambassador there to its Government. As soon as the Government of Algeria is in a position to receive our Ambassador, he will start functioning there and take steps to promote our political, economic and cultural relations with the Government and the people of Algeria.

Indian Outpost in Galwan Valley in Ladakh

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: Shri D. C. Sharma:

Shri Hem Rai:

Shri Yashpal Singh:

Shri S. M. Banerjee:

Shri P. C. Borooah:

Shri Rishang Keishing:

Shri P. K. Deo:

Shrimati Maimoona Sultan: Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:

| Shri Rameshwar Tantia:

*27. Shri R. S. Tiwary:

Shri Bishanchander Seth:

Shri Raghunath Singh:

Shri Sivamurthi Swamy:

Shri Nath Pai:

Shri Hem Barua:

Shri Priya Gupta:

Shri Jashvant Mehta:

| Shri Mohsin:

Shri Yogendra Jha:

Shri Tridib Kumar

Chaudhuri:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that an Indian outpost in the Galwan river valley in Ladakh was encircled by about 400 Chinese troops and the Government of India lodged a protest in the matter to the Chinese Government; and
- (b) if so, details of the incident and the present position?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Copies of the relevant correspondence (Chinese Government's Note of 8th July, 1962, and Indian Government's reply of 10th July, 1962) exchanged between the Indian and Chinese Governments are placed on the table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 3]. Subsequently, Chinese forces have relaxed their pressure on the post and the nearest Chinese position is now located about 400 yards away.

Prices of Yarn

*28. Shri Kappen:
Shri P. Kunhan:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware that the rise in the prices of thread is adversely affecting the handloom industry; and
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to take steps to bring down the prices?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): By and large, the yarn requirements of the handloom weavers are being met at reasonable prices. Occasionally complaints have however, been received about the shortage or high prices of certain qualities and varieties of yarn.

(b) The Textile Commissioner is in touch with the Indian Cotton Milis Federation and arrangements have been made for direct supplies of yarm from Mills to the Weavers' Cooperative Societies.

Development Projects in Nagaland

- *29. Shrimati Renuka Ray: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of development projects have recently been started in Nagaland;
- (b) if so, the nature of these projects; and
- (c) how far these projects have roused people's enthusiasm and helped to bring about a lessening of the tension in that area?

The Parliamentry Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri S. C. Jamir): (a) Yes.

- (b) The development projects are part of Nagaland's Third Five Year Plan. This Plan lays emphasis on agriculture, production, village and small-scale industries and expansion of medical and educational facilities.
- (c) A substantial majority of Naga people are working enthusiastically for the success of Nagaland's development programme. This has gone a long way in the lessening of tension in Nagaland.

Tea Consignments at Cochin

*30. { Shri A. V. Raghavan: Shri A. K. Gopalan: Shri M. K. Kumaran:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state.

- (a) whether Government are aware of the serious situation created by the lack of shipping space particularly to the U.K. at Cochin;
- (b) whether large consignments of tea intended for exports are lying idle without clearance in the warehouses at Cochin;

- (c) whether it is a fact that weekly auctions of leaf tea and tea dusts have been put off to tide over the present shipping difficulty; and
- (d) the action taken to tide over this situation?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). A quantity of about 7,000 tonnes of tea had accumulated at Cochin in the beginning of July.

- (c) The Tea Trade Association of Cochin postponed the Auctions scheduled for 19th and 24th July to the 24th and 31st July, 1962 respectively, i.e. by one week in each case.
- (d) The consignments are expected to be cleared by the middle of August. The Malabar-U.K. Conference Lines have now allotted adequate shipping space, on the intervention of our Freight Investigation Bureau.

Indians in Ceylon

Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri Nambiar:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:
Shrimati Malmoona Sultan:
*31.
Shri A. N. Vidyalankar:
Shri Hem Barua:

| Shri Hem Barua: | Shri Mohammad Elias: | Shri Prakash Vir Shastri: | Shri Basumatari:

Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Indo-Ceylonese official talks have been initiated to solve the problem of persons of Indian origin in Ceylon and the talks will be continued later between the two Prime Ministers of the countries?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh): The Ceylon High Commissioner in New Delhi has been discussing recently the question of the future of persons of Indian origin in Ceylon with the officials of the Exter-