

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) While there has been no violation of India-Pakistan border by Pakistani troops during the last three years, there have been some cases of unprovoked firing by them across the Line of Control and in the Siachen Glacier area in J&K.

Insofar as the India-China border is concerned, in the last three years, there have been no Chinese encroachments in the Western and Middle sectors. As regards the encroachments in the Eastern sector, of 1986, there are differences of interpretation of the Line of Actual Control, between India and China, and the issue is being discussed in the Joint Working Group on the boundary question.

There are no reports of territorial infringements along the India-Nepal, the India-Bhutan, the India-Bangladesh or the India-Myanmar borders.

(b) Our Armed Forces maintain constant vigil to safe guard the security of our borders.

[*Translation*]

Buildings for Primary Schools in Bihar

*379. SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of primary schools opened in Khagariya District, Naugachia block and Barari Assembly constituency in Bihar under 'Operation Black-board' and the number of such schools which are still running without buildings;

(b) whether Government propose to provide buildings for such schools; and

(c) if so, by what time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (c). The Central Government had launched the Scheme of Operation Blackboard in 1987-88 with a view to providing all primary schools existing as on 30th September, 1986 with the minimum essential facilities comprising: i) an additional teacher in single teacher schools; ii) two reasonably large all weather rooms, with a deep verandah, alongwith separate toilet facilities for boys and girls; iii) essential teaching learning material including blackboards, maps, charts, small library, toys and games and some equipment for work experience. Central assistance is provided to State Governments for teachers' salary and Teaching Learning Equipment. The State Governments/UT Administrations are responsible for locating funds for construction of school buildings. The Scheme does not deal with opening of new schools.

2. According to information furnished by Government of Bihar, Khagariya, Amoli and Barari Blocks have been covered under the Scheme of Operation Blackboard. No new schools have been opened in them after they have been covered. Naugachia block in Bhagalpur district has not been covered. The position about the number of schools covered and schools without Buildings prior to implementation of Operation Blackboard was as follows:

| <i>Name of the Blocks</i> | <i>No. of schools covered</i> | <i>Schools without Buildings</i> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Khagariya | 74 | 7 |
| Amoli | 82 | 12 |
| Barari | 113 | 24 |

The State Government has informed that out of these 43 buildingless schools, buildings have been constructed for 30 schools and for the remaining 13, funds have been made available to the District Collectors.

Problems in Ordnance Clothing Factory, Shahjahanpur

*380. SHRISANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations regarding problems prevailing and irregularities being committed in Ordnance Clothing Factory, Shahjahanpur, and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Subjects on which representations/complaints have been received, include disciplinary action; conduct of individuals; filling up of vacancies; eviction from factory accommodation; expenditure incurred on Civil works and Vehicles; load position in the factory; and placing of orders by Defence Establishments with private suppliers.

Complaints against the individuals have

been enquired into and disposed of as per orders/rules.

[English]

Low Representation of SC/ST in Class I Services

*381. SHRI HET RAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for low representation of SC/ST in class I services of Union Government:

(b) whether Government propose to review its reservation policy by extending it to promotions in Class I services by selection method;

(c) the principles laid down by Government for classifying the class of officers in Undertakings; and

(d) on what principles, the maximum of scale has been taken as classifying factor instead of minimum of scale/total of minimum of gross pay in a scale for purpose of extending the concept of reservation for SC/ST in services?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (d). Representation of SC/ST in Group 'A' Services/posts in Government is relatively less than the prescribed percentage of reservation when compared to similar percentages