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3 L.N. GUN-BOATS SUNK

Another damaged

RAWALPINDI, DEC 12: A NAVAL SPEAKSMAN SAID TONIGHT THAT PAKISTAN NAVY HAS SO FAR SUNK THREE INDIAN NAVAL GUN-BOATS AND SEVERELY DAMAGED ONE. ONE PAKISTAN NAVY GUN-BOAT WAS SUNK, HE ADDED.

For one Pakistani destroyer sunk we have sunk one Indian frigate and damaged another, the spokesman said. This, he remarked was the latest "score".

Giving further details of the naval action in which an Indian frigate was sunk and two others damaged, the spokesman said that the action took place 40 miles off the coast of the Arabian Sea where the two Indian ships were patrolling.

Our submarine finding the two ships in range fired two torpedoes severely hitting one of them which started sinking, he said. He added that it was a half-hearted attempt to attack the submarine as the ship was not facing him and was leaving the ship and survivors fled away.

The two gun-boats sank and the third, the Chakra, left two of its boats were sunk by our troops and another captured. The third enemy boat escaped to India, he said, adding that a number of ratings were captured.

This gives a 1 to 1 to the Indian claims of having captured three.

The spokesman said the Indian frigate had been hit by a mine and the PNS Shah Jahan was engaged at the naval shore batteries and was blown up.—APP

Delhi admits loss of frigate

NEW DELHI, Dec 12: An Indian spokesman today confirmed that an Indian frigate had been lost in the Arabian Sea. He said the ship had been unable to give any detail of the sinking. Pakistan had also released information that it had sunk the Indian Navy frigate near Dacca, and that the Indian gun-boats had been torpedoed.

The spokesman also said that his addition to Dacca had been "blown down". APP

3 more killed by IAF strafing

BALAKOT, Dec 12: Three persons were killed when an IAF aircraft crashed into a house in a rural village Merehwar, resulting in the death of a woman and a child and injury to eight persons. APP

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Gen Niaz inspects anti-aircraft gun positions in Dacca

DACCA, Dec 12: Lt-Gen A. K. Niaz, Commander-in-Chief of the Eastern Command and Major General L. W. Administrator, Zone 'B' in Dhaka, today inspected gun positions in Shyamoli area, where it was officially worded here.

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Curfew in Dacca

DACCA, Dec 12: Curfew down on the Dacca City entered at 8pm will be lifted tomorrow morning at 8am.

However, no respite tomorrow afternoon at 2pm, according to an announcement tonight. APP

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