

संबंधित समाचार प्राप्त हुआ था; यदि हाँ, तो उसे समाचारों में सम्मिलित न किए जाने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि समाचारों के प्रसारण का स्तर घटिया और आम आदमी से दूर होता जा रहा है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्री (श्री पी. उपेन्द्र) :

(क) और (ख) दूरदर्शन के संपादकीय कर्मचारियों द्वारा समाचार बुलेटिनों में विभिन्न समाचारों का समावेश समाचारिक महत्व और प्रसारण समय की उपलब्धता के अनुसार दिया जाता है ।

(ग) जी, नहीं । दूसरी ओर पिछले कुछ महीनों के दौरान समाचार प्रसारण की गुणवत्ता में, उनके प्रस्तुतीकरण और वस्तुनिष्ठ कवरेज दोनों में महत्वपूर्ण सुधार हुआ है ।

Study of the Working of Electronic Media

3365. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether during his recent visit to USA and UK, he took the opportunity to study the working of electronic media there including the BBC and the American television network; and

(b) if so, what was the outcome thereof, indicating the extent of autonomy exercised by them and the nature and extent of Government control on them?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The visit was utilised to study the working of BBC and the American Television networks.

The functioning of BBC is governed by the Royal Charter and a Licence and Agreement executed with the British Government. According to the provisions of these documents, Government can exercise considerable control over the Broadcasting Corporation.

The American Television Network is mostly privately owned and not subject to Government controls.

Cooperation amongst India Soviet Union and China in Economic Fields

3366. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for cooperation amongst India, Soviet Union and China in various economic fields was discussed during Prime Minister's recent visit to the Soviet Union; and

(b) if so, what are the main outlines of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH): (a) and (b) During PM's recent visit to USSR, general discussions were held about exploring the possibilities for mutually advantageous trade and economic cooperation between the three countries. No formal proposals have been made nor are any concrete projects for trilateral economic cooperation under consideration.

Amnesty International

3367. SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRAVATTOM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the entry of Amnesty International into India was banned;