

भूतपूर्व प्रधानमंत्री और उनके परिवार के सदस्यों को सुरक्षा प्रदान करने के लिए तैनात एस.पी.जी. को वहाँ से हटा दिया गया है और इसे आ पूर्णतः वर्तमान प्रधान मंत्री और उनके परिवार की सुरक्षा पर तैनात किया गया है।

(ख) प्रधान मंत्री ने इच्छा व्यक्त की थी कि श्री राजीव गांधी की पर्याप्त सुरक्षा व्यवस्था की जाए, तदनुसार ही अतिरिक्त सुरक्षा उपलब्ध कराई गई। इस मद पर होने वाला कुल वार्षिक व्यय लगभग एक करोड़ रुपए है।

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National Seminar on autonomy for Doordarshan

973. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a National Seminar on autonomy for Doordarshan was held in February, 1990 to coincide with International Documentary Film Festival and;

(b) if so, what are the main features of the discussions held and what is the outcome?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) and (b) The International Documentary Film Festival was held at Bombay during 1--7 March, 1990 and not in February, 1990. A seminar on Prasar Bharati Bill was conducted at Bombay on 2nd March, 1990 under the auspices of Indian Documentary Procedure Association. Their recommendations are yet to be received by the Government. As and when they are received, they would be considered alongwith all other suggestions received on the Prasar Bharati Bill.

Inclusion of Nepali language in Eighth Schedule of Constitution

974. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any petition/memorandum regarding the Constitutional recognition of Nepali language from any quarter; and

(b) if so, what is the stand of Government in respect of the demand of inclusion of Nepali Language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMED SAYED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The consistent stand of the Government is that inclusion of more languages in the Eighth Schedule would create other repercussions and reactions. However, it is the endeavour of the Government to develop the literary and Cultural heritage of all languages irrespective of their inclusion in the Eighth Schedule. At present there is no change in the policy.

Transport facilities to handicapped persons

975. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the facilities in regard to transport and other concessions provided to handicapped persons by the D.T.C. and other State Roadways; and

(b) what is the procedure by which they can avail of such facilities?