

are followed. Finally, even after passing through the many security-check points, the passenger is subjected to personal frisking before boarding the aircraft at the bottom of the aircraft itself. Even ladies are subjected to this sort of personal frisking in front of the male passengers and it is very indecent and inhuman. The number of aircraft owned by Lufthansa or the Singapore Airlines or the Japan Air Lines is much more compared to the number of the Indian aircraft. While the other airlines are able to manage a decent security check, I do not know why we are following such a security check system and I wonder why we should not follow a decent and foolproof security check.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, the security check for all the airlines is done by the same agency as far as our country is concerned because it is the local police at the airports—may be it is Lufthansa, it is PanAm or it is Air India which, does it and it is done by them and the security is done according to a well-laid-down procedure where you have to make sure that nothing of this sort goes into the aircraft which can endanger either the passengers or the aircraft.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. Next Question. Question No. 291.

♦291. [The questioners (Shri Guru-das Das Gupta and Shri Chaturanan Mishra) were absent. For answer, vide col. 38 infra.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next Question. Question No. 292.

Encouragement to voluntary cultural organisations

*292. PROF. R. RAMACHANDRA_RAO:

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: f

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) What are Government's schemes to encourage voluntary cultural organisations;

(b) what are the criteria for the selection of these organisations for assistance;

(c) what is the number and the amount of assistance given so far to these organisations during the last one year; and

(d) what has been the impact of such assistance on the preservation, propagation and promotion of Indian Culture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE; MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Statement is laid on the table of the Houses (See Appendix CXLI, Annexure No 108]

(d) From the reports received, the Voluntary organisations have utilised the assistance for the purposes of better preservation, propagation and promotion of various aspects of Indian culture and heritage.

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: ' Sir, in the statement attached to the answer it has been stated against

fThe question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri, Adinarayana Reddy.

item No. 7 that ^{for} the scheme of financial assistance for research support to institutions, organisations and societies engaged in cultural activities, a sum of Es. 3, 10, 000/- has been provided. It would like to know what the research is which is being conducted by these organisations.

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: Sir, this is a scheme for financial assistance for research support to institutions or organizations engaged in cultural activities and this is a general scheme. If the honourable Member puts a question about a specific organization, then we can go into the records and tell him.

SHRI ADINARAYANA, REDDY: But it has been stated here.

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: This is a general scheme and we have only listed the schemes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, Mr. Reddy, please put your second supplementary.

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Sir, against items No. 8 and No. 9, it has been mentioned that the scheme is still to be implemented, that is, the scheme for promotion and dissemination of tribal and folk art and culture and the scheme of (financial assistance for preservation and development of cultural heritage of the Himalayas. What is the reason for not implementing these schemes?

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: Because on one has approached us with a viable scheme which we have to examine and then support. At the moment, this does not happen to be the case. But we do hope that people or organizations will come forward.

MIL CHAIRMAN: Yes, Mr. Gaikia.

SHRI NAGEN SAIKIA: Sir, I would like to know from the honourable Minister whether there is any proposal in the hands of the Government to curb the autonomy of such organisations as the Asiatic Society of India.

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: Like what?

SHRI NAGEN SAIKIA: Like the Asiatic Society of India.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Asiatic Society of India.

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: No, Sir. We have respect for autonomy of all kinds.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, Mr. Pra-shant.

SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRA-SHANT: Sir, I would like to ask the honourable Minister one thing. The Sahitya Akademi also gives financial aid to cultural and literary organisations. Does this amount include that? If not, what is it?

SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: It is different. This does not include that. These schemes are different. If the hon. Member wants that information, I can certainly give him the same.

श्रीमती वीणा वर्मा : माननीय सभापति महोदय, जैसा कि अभी मंत्री जी ने बताया कि वालंटरी आर्गनाइजेशन को सरकार सहायता देती है। लेकिन देखने में यह आता है कि इसमें बहुत ज्यादा संस्थाओं को अनुदान देने में बहुत सारी अनिमितताएं बरती जाती हैं या कह दिया जाता है कि इस साल नहीं दिया जायेगा। तो मैं जानना चाहूंगी, सरकार इसके लिए क्या कर रही है? ऐसा उदाहरण मेरे पास है कि अभी राइट्स यूनियन, जो केरल ब्रांच है, उसका पिछले दिनों कलकत्ता में एक फंक्शन हुआ, सेमिनार हुआ टैगोर जयन्ती के अवसर पर और जिसमें इंफार्मेशन एंड ब्राड-

प्लानिंग मिनिस्टर अर्जुन पांडे जी ने उद्घाटन किया, यह संस्था कई सालों से, वर्ष 1980 से काम कर रहा है, लेकिन उसको एक साल अनुदान दिया गया और उसके बाद बंद कर दिया गया। मैं मंत्री जी से यह जानना चाहूंगा कि इस तरह की अनियमितताओं के कारण क्या है?

श्री पी० वी० नरसिंह राव : श्रीमान्, मैं यह कहना चाहता हूँ कि अनियमितता नहीं होना चाहिए, लेकिन अनियमितता कहीं-कहीं तो संस्था की तरफ से हो शुरू हो जाती है तो उसमें फिर बंद हो जाता है अनुदान देना। इस संस्था के बारे में माननीया सदस्या से जो है प्रश्न, उसकी सूचना मैं उनको दे सकूंगा।

MR, CHAIRMAN: Next question.

*293. [The questioner (Shri Sha-mim Ahmed Siddiqi) was absent. For answer, vide col. - 38—40].

294. [The questioner (Shri Rafi-Rafi Alam) was absent. For answer, vide col. 40-41 infra].

*295. [The questioner (Shri Bhuv-nesh Chaturvedi) was absent. For answer, vide coll. 41—43 infra].

*296. [The questioner (Shri Krishna Kumar Birla) was absent. For answer, vide col. 43 infra].

Extension of rail facility of Jhabna and Rajgarh in Madhya Pradesh

*297. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) whether there is any plan of extension of railways to tribal and backward districts of Jhabua and Rajgarh in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) New rail line between Dahod and Indore passing via Jhabua has not been approved for construction by the Planning Commission.

श्री सुरेन्द्र सिंह ठाकुर : सर, मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से जानना चाहूंगा कि मध्य प्रदेश शासन ने प्लानिंग कमिशन के इस डिसएप्रूवल के बाद रेल लाइन के लिए जो लड़ाई को आवश्यकता होगी स्लीपर बनाने के लिए और भूमि को जो उसमें आवश्यकता होगी रेलवे लाइन बिछाने के लिए, उसको फ्रॉ आफ कोस्ट देने का निर्णय लिया है, तो उसके बाद क्या इस दिशा में सरकार द्वारा कुछ विचार किया गया है?

श्री माधव राव सिधिया : सर, जो स्लीपर और अर्थ-वर्क का कार्य होता है, वह रेल निर्माण का एक बहुत छोटा हिस्सा होता है और इसलिए जो आर्थिक संसाधनों को कामों हम महसूस कर रहे हैं, वह काम इस योगदान से दूर नहीं होता। परन्तु हमने यह निर्णय लिया है, हालांकि प्लानिंग कमिशन ने तीसरी बार इस बात को नकारा है, लेकिन हम फिर से वैकल्पिक मार्ग के रूप में इस योजना को प्रस्तुत करने का प्रयास कर रहे हैं और इसके ऊपर अभ्यास हो रहा है; इसका फिर से दुबारा सर्वेक्षण किया जा रहा है।

श्री सुरेन्द्र सिंह ठाकुर : मान्यवर, मैं माननीय मंत्री जी का ध्यान आकर्षित करना चाहूंगा कि उनके नेतृत्व में रेल मंत्रालय प्रगति के पथ पर अग्रसर है और जैसा कि हम सब जानते हैं, वे मध्य प्रदेश से आते हैं, लेकिन मध्य प्रदेश के मामले में दिया तले अंधेरा वाली बात सत्य साबित होती लग रही है और उसका कारण यह है कि पिछले 20 वर्षों से मध्य प्रदेश में कोई भी रेल लाइन का काम नहीं हुआ है। मैं उनके नोटिस में लाना चाहता हूँ कि पर सौ वर्ग किलोमीटर के पीछे हिन्दुस्तान का जो अनुपात है 1.9 रेलवे लाइन