

**EMBEZZLEMENT AND MISAPPROPRIATION
CASES IN I.C.C.R.**

331. SHRI V. M. CHORDIA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 998 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd September, 1966 and state:

(a) whether any cases of embezzlement and misappropriation have been detected during the current financial year in 'the Indian Council for Cultural Relations; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAKT DARSHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE EMPLOYEES OF
I.C.C.R.**

332. SHRI V. M. CHORDIA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(•a) whether any complaints of corruption, abuse of power and misconduct against the employees of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations were received by Government during the last five years; and

(b) if so, how many, and what action was taken by Government in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) Yes, Sir. Complaints, mostly anonymous, in respect of employees of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations were received.

(b) It is not feasible to give the number. Generally, the complaints were passed on for necessary action to the Indian Council for Cultural Relations, because as an autonomous body, it is for 'the Governing Body of the Council to take action in respect of its employees.

In 1964, the then President of the Council appointed a committee under the chairmanship of Dr. C. D. Deshmukh 'to investigate into the complaints received against the Secretary of the Council. The Committee conducted a thorough inquiry and came to the conclusion that on the whole the allegations were false and did not call for any action against the Secretary of the Council.

In July, 1964, one complaint was referred to the Special Police Establishment. The Central Vigilance Commission, after considering the report of the Special Police Establishment advised that no case was made out for action against the employees in question.

**VISIT ABROAD OF SECRETARY, I C.C.R. IN
1966**

333. SHRI V. M. CHORDIA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state the period for which Secretary, Indian Council for Cultural Relations was abroad on tour in February, 1966 and the purpose thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAKT DARSHAN): Secretary, Indian Council for Cultural Relations did not go abroad on tour in February 1966.

बुद्ध की गुफाओं की खोज

334. श्री राम सहाय: क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उनका ध्यान "हिन्दुस्तान टाइम्स" दिनांक 8 अक्टूबर 1966 के पृष्ठ 11, कालम 5 में ई० पू० 2000 की बुद्ध की गुफाओं की खोज के बारे में प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ये गुफायें पहली बार कब मिलीं ;

(ग) क्या कुछ स्तूप जिनके जंगलों में होने की संभावना थी मिले हैं; और