

CHINESE PROPAGANDA FOR TIBETANS

191. SHRI N. SRI RAMA REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Chinese have adopted the tactics of sending Tibetan leaders to India with propaganda leaflets depicting and offering better life for the Tibetans returning from India?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH): It has come to the notice of Government that some propaganda leaflets have been sent by Chinese authorities in Tibet to Tibetan refugees in India either through the post or through border inhabitants. These leaflets exhort Tibetan refugees to return to Tibet and contain various promises, like freedom from reprisals and security of life, free medical treatment, payment of travel expenses, non-confiscation of personal property etc. in regard to refugees intending to return to Tibet. The Government is, however, unaware of any Tibetan leaders having been sent to India with such propaganda leaflets.

192. [Transferred to the 4th December, 1964.]

†AVERAGE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OF MIDDLE CLASS FAMILY

86. SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the average income and the average expenditure of a middle class family in India?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI LAL BAHADUR): No all-India estimates of the average income and the average expenditure of middle class families have been prepared. However, such estimates for middle class families in 45 cities and towns have been compiled and published by the Central Statistical Organisation in its Report on the Middle Class Family Living Survey 1958-59 (Volume I), copies of which are available in Parliament Library.

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ENQUIRY RE CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE ON THE CEYLON INDIANS PROBLEM

SHRI S. S. MARISWAMY (Madras): Sir, I gave a call attention notice on the Ceylon Indians problem. I have not heard anything about it. It is a very serious matter.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You will hear in due course. You have had three or four questions. You will hear about that also in due course.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

STATEMENT MADE BY SHRI G. V. KETKAR REGARDING THE PLAN OF NATHURAM GODSE TO ASSASSINATE MAHATMA GANDHI

SHRI A. D. MANI (Madhya Pradesh): Sir, may I, with your permission, call the attention of the Minister of Home Affairs to the statement made by Shri G. V. Ketkar, former editor of Kesari, on November 11, 1964, at Poona, regarding the plan of Nathuram Godse to assassinate Mahatma Gandhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI): Sir, so far as the call attention notice is concerned, may I mention that the Home Minister has gone to Orissa and is returning by about 12:30 or 1 o'clock today. Can I claim your indulgence and the indulgence of this House that he may be allowed to make the statement a little later, say at 4 o'clock?

MR. CHAIRMAN: At 2:30?

SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI: At 4 o'clock, Sir, to be on the safe side.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: As you allow the Home Minister to make the statement, we shall be supplied with