

MAGAZINES AND PERIODICALS BROUGHT OUT BY MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

♦236. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of magazines and periodicals brought out by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting in 1962;

(b) whether any brochures were prepared at the time of the Chinese aggression; and

(c) whether any magazines and periodicals have been stopped since October 1962 as a measure of economy?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SHAM NATH) : (a) During 1962 this Ministry brought out 35 magazines and periodicals.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The publication of an All India Radio journal (Tele-Club Patrika) has been discontinued with effect from the 15th February, 1963 as a measure of economy.!

PUBLICATION OF POSTERS AND LEAFLETS REGARDING CHINESE AGGRESSION

•251. SHRI A. M. TARIQ: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have published any posters or leaflets in regard to the Chinese aggression and the defence policy of India; and

(b) if so, the number of such posters and leaflets?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SHAM NATH) : (a) and (b) The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting have published

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20 posters but no leaflets in regard to ins Chinese aggression and defence policy of India.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know whether it is a fact that a large number of complimentary copies of these 35 periodicals and journals are sent to various people?

SHRI SHAM NATH: There is a comprehensive mailing list of categories of addressees to whom publicity material is regularly despatched and I do not think that more than a small number of complimentary copies is issued.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know whether any scrutiny has been made of this mailing list to find out whether any complimentary copies can be stopped in view of the newsprint shortage?

SHRI SHAM NATH: Sir, this list is reviewed now and then and changes are made in addressees to whom those pamphlets and journals are issued.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know whether it is a fact that a large number of periodicals and journals issued by the Information and Broadcasting Ministry are sent regularly to Members of Parliament and whether any circular has been issued to them to find out in what journals they are interested so that only such journals are supplied to them in which they show interest?

SHRI SHAM NATH: No, Sir. This has not been done so far.

SHRI A. M. TARIQ: About the question of Mr. Bhargava first. May I know whether it is a fact that most of the journals published by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting are running at a loss?

SHRI SHAM NATH: There is no question of loss or profit in respect of a number of these publication!. Some

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