

cates regarding availability of funds with the school:

- (ii) application not received in proper form and with full details;
 - (iii) non-verification of school's status;
 - (vi) non-availability of adequate land at the site asked for by the school concerned; etc.
- (c) Yes, Sir.

Fake Passport and Visa Racket

2669. SHRI R.N. RAKESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Fake Passport, Visa Racket Busted" appearing in the Indian Express dated 26th February, 1990.

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether any inquiry has been made into the matter; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government against the person found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). On 13.2.1990, one Afghan national, who had come to collect tickets from a travel agency, was detained and 5 forged passports having forged U.S. visa on them were recovered from him. A case FIR No. 420/468/471/120-B has been registered. The investigation of the case has been entrusted to the Crime Branch. Four other Afghan nationals have also been arrested.

[*Translation*]

Appointment of Education/Cultural Secretary in Indian Missions Abroad

2670. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of appointments made in the Indian Missions abroad on the posts of education or cultural secretary/officer or equivalent posts;

(b) the number out of them from the Indian Foreign Service or Indian Administrative Service; and

(c) the number of appointments made from amongst the eminent people from cultural and academic fields, separately?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) There is a total of 6 Education posts in Indian Missions/Consulates General abroad.

(b) No Indian Foreign Service/Indian Administrative Service Officers are occupying any of the six posts.

(c) A Professor from IIT Delhi is currently occupying the post of Minister (Education) in E/1 Washington.

[*English*]

Issue of Commemorative Postal Stamp in Memory of Anathasayanam Ayyangar

2671. DR. K. KALIMUTHU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal for issuing a Commemorative postal

stamp in memory of Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, the distinguished Speaker of Lok Sabha, on his current birth centenary year?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRI SHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir. Requests have been received for issue of a stamp on this personality. A proposal in this regard was placed before the Philatelic Advisory Committee, which functions in the Department to advise the Government about issue of commemorative/special postage stamps and other such matters, at its meeting held on 29.9.89. However, the Committee could not consider the proposal due to paucity of time. The proposal will be again placed before the Committee, for consideration, at its next meeting.

Drowning of Children in Yamuna Vihar Drains

2672. **SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether four children died between 18 July, 1981 and 23 February, 1986 by drowning in the drains of Yamuna Vihar constructed by DDA;

(b) if so, whether cases registered in this regard are still pending with the area Police Station;

(c) the action taken in this regard against the persons found guilty; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) to (d). No, Sir. However, one child named Janender @ Kalu had died due to drowning in a drain, which was constructed by Delhi

Development Authority. A case FIR 59 dated 23-2-86 u/s 304-A IPC was registered at Police Station Gokal Puri. An enquiry was conducted by SDM/New Delhi and no one was found at fault.

Production and Productivity Growth Rate of Agricultural Commodities

2673. **SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the study made by the Punjab, Haryana and Delhi Chamber of Commerce and Industry regarding production and productivity growth rate of agricultural commodities;

(b) if so, the details of the products and the comparative production and productivity growth rate for different years as reported by PHDCCI; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A Statement giving the growth (average annual) in area, production and yield for different years as reported by Punjab, Haryana and Delhi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) is given below.

In the pre-Green Revolution period i.e. 1951-52 to 1964-65, the production growth rates of all major crops were higher primarily on account of area expansion. However, the growth rates of area in the post-Green Revolution period have declined and the productivity growth rate levels are higher. In fact the production and productivity levels of rice, wheat, foodgrains and all Crops were the highest ever achieved so far, during the year 1988-89.