

Shri Hem Barua: What steps have Government taken to tighten up the vigilance and intelligence besides leaving it with the customs authorities?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: We are taking other measures to keep a check on such activities.

श्री० यु० सि० चौधरी : क्या सरकार का ध्यान इस बात की ओर आकर्षित किया गया है, कि पैम्फ्लेट्स और बड़ी बड़ी कापीज भेजने के बजाये रेडियो से या और किसी जरिये से कुछ हिट्स हमारे देश में भेजे जाते हैं और कुछ एजेन्सज उन को डेवेलप कर के चीन के पक्ष में प्रचार कर रही हैं, जिसका परिणाम वही है, जो कि उस लिटरेचर को यहाँ एलाऊ करने से होगा, जिस को सरकार रोक रही है ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : यह दूसरा सवाल है ।

श्री यु० सि० चौधरी : लेकिन इस का आवेक तो वही है ।

Shri N. R. Ghosh: The hon. Minister has just now stated that these papers are sent to certain persons, Indians, who actually distribute them—this literature. If they thus offend the law, have any such persons been ever apprehended or even interrogated?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: No such interrogation has taken place. Any pamphlet or leaflet could be despatched to any person. For example, if any letter is sent to me, I hope the Home Ministry will not put me in jail or detain me.

Shri Indrajit Gupta: May I know from the Home Minister whether among the Chinese literature which is coming from abroad and which is sought to be banned, Government include any literature which attacks the Communist Party of India?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: The question is on import of literature from abroad.

Shri Indrajit Gupta: Would that be banned or allowed to come?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: Well, if the question is if it goes against or criticises the Communist Party whether it should be banned, it is not necessary.

Shri Daji: On border issue.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: Yes, on border issue. But if it affects the security of the country, it will certainly be seized, whether it comes from America, Russia, China, East European country or any other country.

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Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Book Trust has finalized any plan for producing cheap books on India;

(b) the likely coverage of such books; and

(c) whether the Plan will be framed in accordance with the recommendations of the Tarachand Committee?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Education (Shrimati Sounderam Ramachandran): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposed series of books will cover ultimately all aspects of India, the land and its people.

(c) The Tarachand Committee's recommendations were of a general nature. They have been kept in view by the Trust in formulating their programme.

Shri Rameshwar Tantia: May I know whether the Book Trust will publish books in Hindi, translated from other languages? Have they already published such books and, if so, may I know their number? If not, do they intend publishing books from other languages also?

Shrimati Soundaram Ramachandran: The broad indications have been laid down. Firstly, books on subjects which come under the categories of "Science and Humanities", may be original books or translated from good and standard foreign or Indian books; they may be translated not only in Hindi but also in other languages. Secondly there will be translation of books of outstanding merit from all the languages of the world. Then for the other part of the question after the New Trust has been formed and Dr. Keskar has taken charge, some titles have been dropped, some others are left for publication through private publishers and others have been approved for publication in certain languages only. A new series of books "India—Land and People" is now planned to be published to give information about all aspects of the country—geographical, geological, botanical, zoological, agricultural etc. 49 volumes have been approved. The first few volumes will be out in June or July, 1963.

Mr. Speaker: She need not go into those details now.

Shri Rameshwar Tantia: May I know whether Government will bring out a magazine which will carry a review of the new publications in the country?

Shrimati Soundaram Ramachandran: It will be considered, Sir.

श्री विभूति मिश्र : बाहर से किताब आये या हिन्दुस्तान में छपी जायें में जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या वे इतनी सस्ती होती हैं कि गरीब उन को पढ़ सकें ?

Shrimati Soundaram Ramachandran: There is no allotment like that, namely so much for outside books and so much for inside books. These series are planned by our own people by appointing committees and they will take the material from various sources.

श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : नेशनल बुक ट्रस्ट के प्रकाशकों के लिए जो कितने चुनी

जाती हैं वे किस तरीके से और किस मात्रा पर चुनी जाती हैं ?

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली): नेशनल बुक ट्रस्ट एक स्वतंत्र बॉर्डर है। उनकी एक छठी कमेटी है जो चुनती है इन किताबों को और प्रसिद्ध लेखकों को। खास करके जिन सीरीज का हमारी डिप्टी मिनिस्टर साहिबा ने जिक्र किया है, उन के बारे में देश में अपने अपने क्षेत्र में जो प्रतिष्ठित लोग हैं उन से दरखास्त की गई है कि वे इस सीरीज में उन को लिखें।

श्री यशपाल सिंह : ये सस्ती किताबें जिन का आर्थिक जन सरकार कर रही है वे प्राइमरी क्लास से ले कर डिग्री क्लास तक सस्ते में बच्चों को क्या मिल सकेंगी ?

डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली : उस लेवल पर तो अभी

Shri Ranga: A little louder please.

डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली : उच्च लेवेल पर तो अभी पैरार नहीं की गई है। साधारण लोगों के पास पहुंच सकें, इस दृष्टि से इसको किया गया है। छोटे बच्चों के लिए यह योजना नहीं है। लेकिन हाई स्कूल और कॉलेज में ये पुस्तकें आयेगी तो उन से ये लड़के भी लाभ उठा सकते हैं।

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: What would be the price of one volume and have any books been published in Hindi also?

Dr. K. L. Shrivall: The price is being worked out.

श्री का० रा० गुप्त : नेशनल बुक ट्रस्ट के जो वेरींग हैं, वे अर्थवैतनिक हैं या उनको कुछ वेतन मिलता है ?

डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली : वे वेतन अवैतनिक हैं। उनको कोई तनखाह नहीं मिलती है।