

Museum ever since. The box contained medals, rings, chain, wrist watches, ear ring, pendants, ear studs, brooches, bangles, fragments of stones, shirt-buttons, signet rings, nose-ring stones, iron nail and other miscellaneous items almost all of which are in damaged and charred condition. The net weight of the box without wrappers, was found to be 13491.25 gms.

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Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi

5892. SHRISUDHIRSAWANT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a bill for the takeover of the Indian Council of World Affairs passed in the Rajay Sabha was introduced in the Ninth Lok Sabha;

(b) if so, the present status of the Bill;

(c) when the bill is proposed to be re-introduced in the parliament; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to improve the declining standards of ICWA Library?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Bill has since lapsed.

(c) and (d). Government are considering various measures including the possibility of reintroducing a Bill in Parliament to improve the ICWA and restore its original standards.

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Increase in Production of Foodgrains

5893. SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been increase in the production of foodgrains like wheat, oil-seeds etc. in the country during 1990-91 as compared to the year 1989-90; and

(b) if so, the State-wise percentage increase in production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Statement giving percentage of increase/decrease in production of wheat, total foodgrains and total oilseeds during 1990-91 as compared to the year 1989-90 State-wise is Annexed.