

(a) the number of Pakistani nationals held travelling in India without valid travel documents during the year 1984;

(b) the action taken against them;

(c) whether any investigation has been made to know the purpose of their visit;

(d) whether any Pakistani national has been arrested in espionage case out of them; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) to (e). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Assent to State Bills

2. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Bills passed by the State Assemblies and yet to get President's assent, State wise ;

(b) when these Bills were received ; and

(c) the present stage of these Bills ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN) : (a) to (c). A statement indicating the State-wise position as on 10-3-1985 of 52 bills yet to get President's assent, is laid on the Table of the House.

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Conservation and Improvement of Museums

3. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to take steps for the proper conservation and improvement of the museums in the country ;

(b) if so, the number of museums identified in different States for conservation and improvement by the Centre in 1985-86 ; and

(c) what are those museums ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND CULTURE (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) to (c). Museums "being a State subject," the State Governments mainly assist them for their conservation and improvement. The Department of Culture operates a scheme for financial assistance to museums run by universities and voluntary organisations. Applications for 1985-86 for this purpose are yet to be invited.

Pick Pocket Rings in Delhi

4. SHRI G. V. RAMA RAO : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to widespread and serious problem faced by citizens due to massive pick-pocket rings operating in Delhi and if so, steps taken proposed to eliminate this menace ;

(b) whether it is a fact that random sample survey has shown that almost every regular bus passenger has been affected once or more ;

(c) whether it is a fact that pick-pockets are operating with the knowledge and support of bus conductors and the police ;

(d) whether it is a fact that many of these offenders carry arms and lethal weapons ; and

(e) whether it is a fact that police stations are reluctant to register such cases ?