

*Details of Expenditure Incurred on Meetings During 1985
(Upto 28th February, 1985)*

No.	Name of the Meetings	Date	Venue	TA Rs.	Lunch expenses Rs.	Total Rs.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	Executive Committee Meeting	08-01-85 26-02-85	Bombay New Delhi	22463.00 25366.00	3314.00 2287.50	25777.00 27653.50
2.	Probe Committee	04-02-85 14-02-85	Delhi Delhi	4032.00 2366.00	— —	4032.00 2366.00
3.	Quota Advisory Committee	05-01-85	Delhi	2348.00	—	2348.00
4.	Export Promotion Committee	08-02-85	Calcutta	1892.00	—	1892.00
Total				58467.00	5601.50	64068.00

Source : Apparel Export Promotion Council.

Inter-State Racket of Hashish Smugglers

3841. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any Inter-State racket of High Quality Hashish smugglers have come to the notice of Government particularly in the Jammu and Kashmir region ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) :

(a) and (b) During the period from 19-2-1985 to 18-3-1985, a total quantity of 64.400 kgs. of hashish and 700 grams of opium was seized and thirteen persons including three women were arrested by the Police of the Jammu and Kashmir State.

Smuggling Activites in Tripura

3842. SHRI G.G. SWELL : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a tiny market village, Bat Tola in Tripura has become a big smuggling radial point for a big range of electronics and hard drugs and medicines ;

(b) whether there are a number of other such centres in the North-East and that insurgent groups in that area are increasingly finding sustenance for their activities in drug running into India ; and

(c) the steps, if any Government have taken or are taking to combat the menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) :

(a) and (b) According to reports received by the Government, foreign consumer goods, such as, electronic items, cosmetics, etc. are sold in some of the markets in the North-Eastern region including Bat Tola. However, there are no reports about open sale of hard drugs and smuggled medicines.

(c) The drive against smugglers has been intensified. Mass raids of shops dealing in smuggled goods are conducted with the help of the police and para-military forces. The preventive and intelligence machinery of the Customs Department in the region remain vigilant with a view to curb all smuggling activities. In addition, the trends and pattern of smuggling are kept under constant review and appropriate anti-smuggling measures are taken in close