

by the Union Government in the State of Jammu and Kashmir is not functioning daily;

(b) whether Pakistani programmes are being easily seen in the Jammu and Kashmir State rather than its local programmes; and

(c) the steps to be taken by Government in this regard?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA):** (a) The Srinagar TV Station is now functioning daily for four hours from 6.30 P.M. to 10.30 P.M. with an additional transmission for two hours on Sundays, in the afternoon.

(b) Pakistani programmes are being received in some parts of the Kashmir Valley but the strength of the signal and the quality of reception in most places is indifferent

(c) Srinagar TV Station is at present reaching a limited area as the TV tower has not yet been completed. Steps are being taken to expedite the construction of the tower so that the Station can operate on its full strength.

**Disturbances in Srinagar due to the "Book of Knowledge"**

**438. SHRI P. A. SAMINATHAN:  
SHRI SHIV KUMAR SHASTRI:**

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Srinagar disturbances were preplanned and there was a hand of Pakistani agents in the disturbances;

(b) if so, whether the disturbances were due to the "Book of Knowledge" which was published in 1911; and

(c) the reasons for banning the book suddenly after its publication 62 years ago?

**THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI UMA SHANKAR DIKSHIT):** (a) There is no such information available so far.

(b) and (c) An agitation took place in Jammu and Kashmir over certain objectionable portions in Arthur Mee's 'Book of Knowledge', Children Encyclopaedia. In order to prevent likely repercussions and also to protect the religious susceptibilities of a section of the population, the Government of Jammu and Kashmir banned the book under the relevant provision of the Defence of India Rules, 1971. Government of India have drawn the attention of the other State Governments and Union territory Administrations to the notification of the Jammu and Kashmir Government.

**Slowing Down of work on Draft Fifth Plan**

**439. SHRI P. A. SAMINATHAN:  
SHRI P M MEHTA:**

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether work on the draft of the Fifth Plan has slowed down in the Planning Commission and in the States and the Central Ministries have still to submit their plans and programmes;

(b) if so, whether none of the States has sent its draft plan to the Commission within the scheduled time; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken by the Planning Commission in this regard?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA):** (a) No. Sir.