

H-400 computer in the Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta.

Indian Statistical Institute

3244. **SHRI GANESH GHOSH :**
SHRI B. K. MODAK :
SHRI MOHAMMAD
ISMAIL :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to offer a new survey research project to the Indian Statistical Institute :

(b) if so, the details of the project ;

(c) the total estimated expenditure likely to be incurred ; and

(d) the reasons for offering new project ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (d). The Indian Statistical Institute has suggested that if the National Sample Survey work at present being done by it is entrusted to another organisation, it should be provided with adequate funds to maintain a strong Project Wing for taking up a variety of surveys, with emphasis on improving the designs and efficiency of surveys and developing new methods and techniques. The Institute has been asked to prepare a detailed scheme with its financial implications for the consideration of Government.

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3245. **SHRI MOHAMMAD**
ISMAIL :
SHRI B. K. MODAK :
SHRI GANESH GHOSH :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Deshmukh Committee appointed by the Indian Statistical Institute Council to go into the affairs of the Indian Statistical Institute has submitted its report ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the action taken thereon ;

(d) whether the recommendations regarding improvement in the functioning

of the Indian Statistical Institute have been implemented ; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) The Deshmukh Committee was appointed by the Council of the Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta, to advise the Chairman and the Council on the Report of the Indian Statistical Institute Review Committee.

(b) A copy of the Deshmukh Committee's Report is placed in the Parliament Library.

(c) to (e). After considering all aspects of the matter, decisions have been taken on the recommendations made by the Indian Statistical Institute Review Committee except those relating to the work of the National Sample Survey, which are still under consideration. A statement showing the action taken on the recommendations of the Indian Statistical Institute Review Committee is being placed separately on the Table of the House.

Statement by Deputy Prime Minister about China and Pakistan in London

3246. **SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU :**
Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Deputy Prime Minister recently told newspaper men in London that India is fully prepared to fight back any aggression either from China or Pakistan :

(b) if so, the reasons for issuing such a statement at this moment ; and

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, what exactly he told the newspapermen in London on the said issue ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (c). The Indian Deputy Prime Minister while addressing the Members of the Indian Social Club who were entertaining him to tea during his visit, made a reference, among