

(b) whether Government propose to introduce new legislation to facilitate such measures being taken by the West Bengal Government?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Education (Shri Bhakt Darshan): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No special legislation is necessary in this regard, since, under the Copyright Act, 1957 (14 of 1957), State Government or individuals are at liberty to acquire Copyrights in specific books.

आजीवन कारावास भुगत रहे कैदियों की रिहाई

372. श्री भागवत झा आजाद :

श्री हुसैन चन्द कछवाय :

श्री सोनावने :

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :

क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री 27 अप्रैल, 1966 के अंतरांकित प्रश्न संख्या 4551 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उन कैदियों की रिहाई के बारे में अब जानकारी एकत्र कर ली गई है जिन्हें आजीवन कारावास की सजा दी गई थी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस का व्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो यह सूचना कब एकत्रित कर ली जायेगी ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री विद्यचरण शुक्ल) : (क) से (ग). अभी 4 राज्य सरकारों से सूचना आने की प्रतीक्षा है और एकत्रित होते ही सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Re-Imbursement of Medical Expenses

373. Shri Achal Singh: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that false claims are being made annually for

reimbursement of medical expenses by employees of Posts and Telegraphs, especially at Agra which have increased expenditure of the Department;

(b) whether Government have received any report in this matter; and

(c) if so, the action taken to stop this rising trend and wastage of lakhs of rupees every year in the reimbursement of medical expenses?

The Minister of State in the Departments of Parliamentary Affairs and Communications (Shri Jaganatha Rao): (a) and (b). Expenditure on medical reimbursement in Agra has registered an abnormal increase. It is suspected that some bogus or false claims might have been preferred; some cases have been reported to the Special Police Estt. for check on this but no false claim has so far been established.

(c) Both as a preventive measure against such abuse and to make the medical help easily available it has been decided to open a departmental dispensary for P&T employees at Agra and this is being implemented.

Conference of Book Experts in Tokyo

**374. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri Braj Bihari Mehrotra:**

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Conference of Book Experts was held in Tokyo in the last week of May, 1966;

(b) if so, the countries which participated in the Conference; and the main features of its deliberations; and

(c) India's stand in the Conference?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes, Sir. A conference of Experts on Book Production and Distribution in Asia was