

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

**The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have not received any complaint from the P.T.I., but it is understood that the Correspondent and the United Nations Correspondents Association have protested about the incident to the U.N. Secretariat. Government are watching developments.

**Impounding of Passports**

**1988. Shri Indrajit Gupta:** Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether any persons have had their passports impounded or been refused passport facilities between 1963 and 1966 for violation of foreign exchange regulations; and

(b) if so, the number of such individuals and their names?

**The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Full information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

**Manufacture of Desk Calculators by Indian Statistical Institute**

**1989. Shri Indrajit Gupta:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Workshop of the Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta, had prepared a project, based entirely on indigenous resources, for the manufacture of desk calculators and data-tabulating equipment;

(b) whether the said project would result in substantial savings of foreign exchange hitherto required for importing the said equipment; and

(c) if so, the reasons for turning down the project?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shrimati Indra Gandhi):** (a) Yes, a project was pre-

pared but it was not based entirely on indigenous resources.

(b) Such equipment is now being manufactured in India.

(c) The project was abandoned by the Institute because it could not be successfully run as a commercial venture.

**Funds Allocated to Punjab for Schemes formulated by I & B Ministry during Third Plan**

**1990. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allotted to the Punjab State in the Third Five Year Plan period on the various schemes of his Ministry; and

(b) the amount spent on the various schemes with names and estimated costs thereof together with the stage of progress?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri Raj Bahadur):**

(a) and (b): The requisite information regarding the various schemes of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting during the Third Plan period relating to the State of Punjab is as follows:—

	Amount allotted	Amount spent
	(Rs. in lakhs)	(Rs. in lakh)
1. Development of Broadcasting (extension of broadcast coverage by setting up of transmitters and providing alternative light programme channels at Chandigarh, Jullundur and Amritsar)	7.46	4.80
2. Community Listening Subsidy Scheme (subsidy for supply of 4,300 radio sets)	5.38	5.38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12.83</b>	<b>10.18</b>