

**Indian Expert attacked in Nairobi**1995. **Shri Dighe:****Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian Food and Agriculture expert who is the Secretary-General of the Afro-Asian Rural Reconstruction Organisation was attacked and robbed at Nairobi (Kenya) by a gang of three Africans in the city Centre recently; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter?

**The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla):** (a) Yes, Sir. Shri Krishanchand, Secretary General of the Afro-Asian Rural Reconstruction Organisation, was attacked and robbed of the cash and Travellers cheques he was carrying and also a wrist watch, outside the United Kenya Club, by three unidentified Africans on the evening of October 14.

(b) The incident was immediately reported to the Police and subsequently the High Commissioner brought this incident to the personal notice of the Permanent Secretary in the Foreign Office as well as to the President of the Afro-Asian Rural Reconstruction Organisation. So far the Police have not been able to trace the culprits.

**Publicity Expenditure**

1997. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Rupee cost of transmitters purchased from abroad will substantially push up the country's total publicity expenditure; and

(b) if so, whether it is proposed to go in for import substitution on a large scale?

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

(a) AIR Fourth Plan Schemes have been suitably pruned to off-set the increase in the Rupee Cost of the transmitters on account of devaluation.

(b) With a view to conserve foreign exchange, steps for import-substitution had been taken by AIR even before devaluation.

उसमें भाग लेने के लिये पंजाब में आने वाले पाकिस्तानी

1998. श्री श्रीकार लाल बोरबा : क्या वंदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अक्टूबर, 1966 में हुए उर्म में भाग लेने के लिये पाकिस्तान से बड़ी संख्या में मुसलमान पंजाब आये थे;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उन की संख्या कितनी थी; और

(ग) सरकार ने उन्हें क्या सुविधाएँ दी थी ?

वंदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री (श्री सु० क० चागला) : (क) और (ख). पश्चिम पाकिस्तान के 94 मुसलमान यात्रियों के एक दल ने 24 सितम्बर से 2 अक्टूबर, 1966 तक पंजाब के जिला होशियारपुर में हजरत श्वाजा मोहम्मद दीवान विश्वी की दरगाह की यात्रा की।

(ग) उन लोगों को पंजाब यात्रा के दौरान, स्थानीय अधिकारियों ने खाने-पीने, रहने-सहने और यात्रियों के आने-जाने की सुविधाओं के लिए आवश्यक प्रबंध किया।