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Harassment of Downtrodden People and Deterioration in Law and order Situation in Puaiab

Written Answers

- *823. SHRI B. S. BHAURA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :
- (a) whether Government are aware that law and order situation in Punjab is dcteriorating day by day.
- (b) whether Government have received any complaint regarding unnecessary harassment to the downtrodden section in general and Harijans in particular by the Akali Party supporters and the Police for not supporting the Akali Party candidates during the mid-term Lok Sabha Elections; and
 - (c) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) While it is not correct that the situation is deteriorating day by day. Government are aware that in certain respects law and order in Punjab requires more serious attention.

- (b) Some complaints were received in this behalf.
- (c) The complaints were forwarded to the State Government for inquiry and appropriate action under the law. action actually taken is being ascertained from the State Government.

Planning Minister's Discussion with **Scientists**

*824. SHRI RAMSHEKHAR PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether he had called a meeting of the Scientists on the 5th and 12th June, 1971 for discussion on planning; and
- (b) if so, the outcome of the discussions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): Yes, Sir. Meetings were held by the Planning Commission on the 5th and 12th June, with two different Panels of Scientists and Technologists.

(b) The Scientists and Technologists made some useful suggestions in regard to drawing up a plan for science and technology for the next decade which will be closely related to an integrated with the socio conomic objectives of the Plan. They also made some suggestions with a view to meet present problems including that of unemployment of uneducated. These suggestions will be taken into consideration, in making a reappraisal of the plan.

Setting up of Asian Institute of Advertising

*825. SHRI BALATHANDAYUTHAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 5049 on the 17th December 1970 regarding the Seventh Asian Advertising Congress and state whether any steps have been taken by member countries including India to set up an Asian Institute of Advertising?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY): The Seventh Advertising Congress which was sponsored by the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society, the Indian Association, the Languages Newspaper Advertising Agencies Association of India and the Master Printers' Federation of India appointed a sub-committee to prepare a scheme for a proposed Asian Institute of Advertising. The sub-committee has not vet met, but is expected to do so shortly.

Arrest of two Pak Nationals and an Indian for Carrying away Defence Documents in Amritsar

SHRI BISHWANATH JHUN-JHUNWALA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether two Pakistani nationals and one Indian national were arrested recently while trying to carry away some defence documents in Amritsar; and
- (b) if so, whether a full investigation has been made to unearth the gang operating on the Puniab border who are busy in passing on defence secrets to the enemy?