

and Regulator to run a car on petrol or gas or a combination of both; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to make use of its know-how and make it popular to save petroleum in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government has not been advised of the features of this device. As such it is difficult at this stage to prejudge the steps that may be considered necessary after testing.

India's concern on CIA activities in the Country

*236. SHRI BIREN ENGTI:
SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister warned in the meeting of Congress MPs on the 11th September about forces inside and outside the country working against the national objective;

(b) whether the US Ambassador to India warned the US Secretary of State that CIA activities in Chile had confirmed the "worst suspicions and genuine fears" of Mrs. Gandhi about American policy in India;

(c) whether the Indian Ambassador in USA said that he knew of no CIA's activities of significance in India and later clarified it by saying that he was not aware of India's undue concern about CIA activities; and

(d) the reaction of Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. BRAHMANANDA REDDY): (a) While speaking to Congress MPs, the Prime Minister referred to the present difficult economic situation as also to the forces

which are working against national interests.

(b) Government have seen some press reports about a cable reportedly sent to Washington by the U.S. Ambassador to India in this regard.

(c) and (d). At a meeting with the US press on the 13th September, 1974 the Indian Ambassador in Washington asked whether there was in India, large scale subversive CIA activity against the Government of India. To this, he replied that India was strong enough, stable enough and big enough to ensure that no foreign intelligence agency was allowed to engage in any large scale subversive activity in the country. He added that he had been assured by the US Secretary of State that if any such instances were brought to his notice such people would be withdrawn within 24 hours.

Hunt for Antiques Smuggler

*237. SHRI D. K. PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Police has taken any steps to hunt antiques smuggler who abandoned over 30 rare pieces in the thickets of Upper Ridge, near Sardar Patel Marg, New Delhi; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI OM MEHTA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. 35 and not 30 antique pieces were found abandoned. Messages were sent to the Police all over India giving specifications of the antiques found and requesting them to let the Delhi Police know if any case of theft in respect of these antiques had been registered with them. The antiques were shown to the Curator, Museum, Delhi also for his opi-