

published a book called the 'Indian Examiner';

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said book is full of passages hurting and calculated to hurt the feelings of Hindus and has, at one place, said 'excepting small girls', there exists no virgin at all in Hinduism; and

(c) whether Government propose to proscribe it and take suitable action against the author?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (c). Information is being collected from the Government of Andhra Pradesh. It will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

Crime Situation in Delhi

698. **SHRI SITARAM KESRI:** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the crime situation in the Union Territory of Delhi has become acute and is posing a threat to the life and property of the citizens;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a large number of crimes that are occurring almost everyday go undetected;

(c) if so, whether Government have thought of probing into the situation and strengthening the Police force; and

(d) whether it is a fact that political patronage to the criminals has been hindering effective detection of the crimes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) No Sir. There has not been any increase under the various heads of crime in the Capital except under the Local and

Special laws which indicate increased vigilance on the part of the Police.

(b) Of the 17,422 cases under I.P.C. referred to the Delhi Police during the year 1967, 8,389 cases were so far untraced.

(c) The Crime situation is being constantly reviewed by the Delhi Administration and suitable remedial measures are taken from time to time to keep it under control. Recently a number of schemes have been sanctioned for the purpose of modernising the Delhi Police by providing better communication facilities and scientific aids to investigation of crime.

(d) No such incident has come to the notice of Government.

Beatles and Hippies

699. **SHRI SITARAM KESRI:** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of "beatles" and "hippies" have arrived in the country in recent weeks;

(b) whether Government have examined the impact of the "beatles" on the Indian youth;

(c) if so, the measures taken by Government in preventing the Indian youth following the ways of "beatles";

(d) whether it is also a fact that a large number of complaints have been received regarding the anti-social activities of hippies; and

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

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): (a) A number of foreigners with an unconventional mode of dress and behaviour have been visiting India in recent months.