

**Britishers Role in Assam**

62. Shri R. Barua:  
Shri P. C. Borooah:  
Shri T. Subramanyam:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Assam Government has invited Government's attention to the disruptive and perturbing anti-Indian incidents in which some British Nationals living in Assam are found to be involved; and

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

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Minister of Defence Supplies in the Ministry of Defence (Shri Hathi): (a) A communication has been received from Assam Government giving details of activities of some British nationals working in Tea Estates in Assam.

(b) The matter is under consideration.

**Air raid Sirens in Delhi**

64. Shri D. D. Puri: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that air-raid sirens were not being heard all over Delhi; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to improve the warning system for future?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri L. N. Mishra): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The following steps have been taken to improve the warning system in Delhi:—

(i) More sirens are being installed;

(ii) The existing sirens with factories/industries have been worked into the main sirens system in Delhi.

**Black-out in Punjab**

65. Shri D. D. Puri: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether even after the cease-fire, black-out in Punjab was continued on the advice of the Union Government;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government are aware that this caused considerable loss in industrial production in the State?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri L. N. Mishra): (a) and (b). It was considered necessary to continue black-out in certain towns in Punjab as a precautionary measure.

(c) The State Governments had been advised to regulate the black-out in such a way that industrial production was not affected.

**देवनागरी लिपि**

66. डा० महेश्वर प्रसाद : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत सरकार ने अगस्त 1957 में हुये शिक्षा मंत्रियों के सम्मेलन में की गई सिफारिशों के आधारे पर देवनागरी लिपि में कुछ संशोधन किये हैं ;

(ख) यदि हाँ तो क्या यह सभी सच है कि उन राज्य सरकारों को जहाँ हिन्दी का प्रयोग किया जाता है सभी सरकारी कार्यों के लिये इस संशोधित लिपि को प्रयोग करने के लिये कहा गया था ; और

(ग) यदि हाँ तो इस संबंध में राज्य सरकारों की प्रतिक्रिया क्या ?

शिक्षा मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री मन्त बक्षन) : (क) जी हाँ ।