

to be held with the secessionist All party Hurriyat conference on the future of Kashmir; and

(b) whether Central Government propose to associate Pakistan in any manner with any future talks with the secessionist APHC in respect of Kashmir?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) No such proposal is presently under consideration of the Government.

Appointment of Additional Principal Census Officer

4002. SHRI K. C. KOND AIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Panchayats have been appointed as Additional Principal Census Officer in Karnataka in connection with Census of India 2001;

(b) if so, whether Census preliminary work has since started in all districts of Karnataka;

(c) whether Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Panchayats have been authorised to recruit personnel temporarily in connection with Census work; and

(d) the amount proposed to be spent for Census in Karnataka during 2000-2001 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The amount likely to be spent for Census in Karnataka during the year 2000-2001 is approximately Rs. 28.33 crores.