

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. KONDAIAH : 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.