Change in Geographical Names

2899. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of proposals for the change in geographical names which are pending with Government; and
- (b) what are the guidelines laid down and followed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) Out of the proposals for change in the names of villages, districts and railway stations etc. received from

different State Governments between 1st January, 1991 and 31st December, 1993, 15 proposals are pending. Details are enclosed in a Statement (See below).

(b) The existing guidelines contain various broad principles which are required to be kept in view by the State Governments while examining the question of change in the names of villages, towns, cities etc. The guidelines, inter alia, mention that unless there is some very special reason, it is not desirable to change a name which people have got used to; that a change should not be made on grounds of local patriotism or for linguistic reasons or for merely satisfying local sentiments.

Statement

No. of Proposals pending disposal (1-1-91 to 31-12-93)

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1	Madhya	Pradesh		Village Gadapali to Gangaoali.
2	Rajasthai	n.		Gram Ghata to Gajpur.
3	-do-			Char Bhuja Railway Station to Amet Char Bhuja Road.
4	Gujarat			Vishwamitri Railway Station. Vishwamitri Railway Junction.
5	Madhya	Pradesh	• -	Jaloda-Shajapur Railway Station to Jaloda-Panwadi Railway Station.
6	Maharash	itra .		Village Pimpalgaon Hajam as Pimpalgaon Kute.
7	do			Village Chambharwani as Chndanpur.
8	Haryana			Village Islamgarh to Chuchakvas.
9	Rajasthan	1.		Narvasi Railway Station as Khyali Narwasi.
10	Haryana			Village Tohana Khera to Dohana Khera.
11	Bihar	, .		Taragana Railway Station to Masodi Railway Station.
12	Maharasi	ıtr a		Village Ekambi Laman Tando to Jaysingpur.
13	do			Village Soldoha to Kumprappagram.
14	Gujarat			Village Bhadra to Gunteet Nagar.
15	Karnatak	a .		Majare-Herakatte of Malali Village as Chakranagar.