

AFRO-ASIAN SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM

*65. SHRI RAM SINGH: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have sanctioned a sum of Rs 8 lakhs for holding an Afro-Asian Science Symposium at Delhi in the month of April, 1966; and

(b) if so, whether the symposium was held as per schedule; and if so, the number of countries which had participated in that symposium?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI M C CHAGLA) (a) No, Sir, a sum of Rs. 4 lakhs only was given to the Association of Scientific Workers of India for holding the Symposium.

(b) Yes, Sir, the Symposium was held from the 25th April to 2nd May, 1966, as scheduled. Thirty-four countries (including India) participated in the Symposium.

INTEGRATION OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR WITH THE INDIAN UNION

*66. SHRI S. S. N. TANKHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any further steps have been taken by the Government recently for the complete integration of the State of Jammu and Kashmir with the Indian Union; and if so, what, and

(b) by when it is proposed to abrogate Article 370 of the Indian Constitution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI) (a) Provisions of the Constitution are being progressively applied to the State of Jammu and Kashmir with the consent of the State Government. Attention is invited to Presidential Orders under Article 370 of the Constitution issued on the 17th May and 24th November, 1965.

(b) There is no such proposal.

TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS AT CALCUTTA

*67. { SHRI CHITTA BASU
SHRI D. L. SEN GUPTA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) the total number of applications pending in Calcutta for new telephone connections, and

(b) what steps Government propose to take to provide telephone facilities to all the intending subscribers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JAGANNATH RAO). (a) 74022 on 31st March, 1966.

(b) Efforts are continuously being made to open new exchanges and expand the existing exchanges to meet the pending demand to the extent possible, consistent with the resources available at the disposal of the Department.

जम्मू का हिमाचल प्रदेश में मिलाया जाना

*68. श्री राजनारायण : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या कोई ऐसी योजना सरकार के विचाराधीन है कि जम्मू को हिमाचल प्रदेश में मिला दिया जाय और काश्मीर घाटी को एक स्वतंत्र इकाई के रूप में विश्व नगर मान लिया जाय ?

†[MERGER OF JAMMU WITH HIMACHAL PRADESH

*68. SHRI RAJNARAIN. Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether there is any scheme under Government's consideration to merge Jammu with Himachal Pradesh and treat Kashmir valley a cosmopolitan city, as an independent unit?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जयसुख लाल हाथी) : जी नहीं ।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI) No, Sir.

CYCLISTS WITHOUT LIGHTS IN DELHI

*69. DIWAN CHAMAN LALL Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state,

(a) whether it is a fact that cyclists in Delhi and New Delhi do not display cycle lights after the lighting up hours, and

†[] English translation .