

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI M. GOVINDA RADDY): Quite right.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: May I know if the Government would think about the desirability of amalgamating this small area to the adjacent State?

SHRI DINESH SINGH: We have not given any thought to it.

ASSISTANT EDITORS IN "SAINIK SAMACHAR"

*286. **SHRI BANSI LAL:** Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the answer given to Starred Question No. 328 in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 1963 and state:

(a) the language editions of "Sainik Samachar" which each Assistant Editor is directing;

(b) the language qualifications, with the examinations passed in each language, possessed by the Assistant Editor in the languages whose editions he is directing; and

(c) the journalistic experience possessed by the Assistant Editor in each language edition which is being directed and supervised by him?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. R. CHAVAN): (a) The work of the two Assistant Editors is not allocated language-wise. One of them assists the Editor in the preparation of the master copy of material common to all the language editions, while the other generally looks after the production of the journal and guides Sub-Editors in the selection of material for publication exclusively in the language editions.

(b) and (c) Both the Assistant Editors have adequate experience in English journalism. It is not necessary for the Editor or the Assistant Editors

to know all the languages for supervision of work of the language editions. Except for about four pages, the matter published in the language editions is translated from the English edition.

A statement of qualifications and experience of the two Assistant Editors is, however, placed on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

The qualifications and experience of the two Assistant Editors of "Sainik Samachar" are as follows:—

Assistant Editor No. 1	Assistant Editor No. 2
1. B.Sc. (Physics) —Madras. B.Sc. (Technical)—Banaras.	1. B.A.—Allahabad.
2. Reporter and Sub-Editor in the Press Trust of India from 1950 to 1957.	2. Representative and Officer-in-charge of the Globe News Agency (now NAFEN) at Hyderabad from May 1947 to July 1948 and Member of the Editorial Staff (Correspondent and Sub-Editor) of the Globe News Agency at Delhi from August 1948 to June 1949.
3. Employed on journalistic work in the Public Relations Office, Western Railway, from November 1957 to February 1960.	3. Sub-Editor and also in charge of the Sports Desk in the 'Hindustan Times' from January 1950 to January 1960.
4. Has knowledge of pictorial journalism and feature writing as well experience in lay-out.	4. Has knowledge of pictorial journalism and feature writing as well as experience in lay-out.
5. Has knowledge of Malayalam, Hindi (Pragya), Tamil and Sanskrit.	5. Has knowledge of Hindi (Board of High School and Intermediate Education, U.P.), Telugu and Bengali.

*287. [Transferred to the 11th December, 1963.]