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Shri T. K. Chaudhuri: With rence to part (a) of the question, may I know whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to a statement made by Shri Bishnu Ram Mehdi, the Chief Minister of Assam, about the activities of certain missionaries foreign in creating troubles in these Naga areas?

## Dr. Katju: Yes.

Shri Rishang Keishing: In view of the fact that there is always a serious suspicion about the bona fides of the loyalty and citizenship of the Indian tribal Christians in that area. may I know whether Government will consider the desirability of deputing some members of Parliament to that area to enquire into this matter and remove this suspicion once and for all time?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: It is a suggestion for action.

The Prime Minister (Shri Jawahar-121 Nehru): If any Members wish to go there, I have no doubt that their going there will be welcomed, but the idea of Members going to enquire into the loyalty of other people seems to be rather odd.

Shri Amjad Ali: In view of the fact that the Minister in charge has said "Yes" to Mr. T. Chaudhuri's question, what action do the Government of India propose to take on that?

Dr. Katju: On what Mr. Chaudhuri said? He asked me whether Mr. Bishnu Ram Mehdi has made a certain statement in his Assembly, I said "Yes".

Shri Amjad Ali: What action is being taken on that?

Dr. Katju: I am depending upon the Assam Government to take proper and appropriate action, and if there is any necessity, I shall do what I can.

Deputy-Speaker: Next question.

Shri Amjad Ali: May I ask one question further, Sir?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: No. I have allowed a number of supplementaries.

CHECK-POSTS ON INDO-BURMA FRONTIERS

\*1279. Shri L. Jogeswar Singh: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the number of check-posts on the Indo-Burma frontiers?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): There are at present two Land Customs stations and five preventive out-posts on the Indo-Burma Frontiers.

Shri L. Jogeswar Singh: What is the amount of money realised in these check posts in 1953 either form of fines or customs?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: There is very little trade in this area, and the amount is very small. I cannot give just now the exact amount.

Shri L. Jogeswar Singh: Do Government propose to send high officials to these check posts to check the customs officials there who are reported to have accumulated money through unfair means?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: We are going away from the main question. The hon. Member only wanted information regarding the number of check posts. We are now going into personalities as to who has accumulated money etc.

Shri L. Jogeswar Singh: I want to know whether the activities of these customs officials in the check posts are checked now and then.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: How does that arise?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: They are not officials of the Assam Government. They are of the Central Government. The usual check is made.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: They are all of the Central Excise Department.

I. A. S. AND I.P. S. OFFICERS IN CENTRAL SERVICES

\*1280. Shri Elayaperumal: (a) Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state the number of I.A.S. and I.P.S. officers from Scheduled