

the eviction of the tenant under clause (e) of proviso to section 14(1) of the Delhi Rent Control Act, 1958.

(b) to (d). **Stray representations** have been made by individuals stating that some hardship is being caused to them due to the judgement of the Supreme Court referred to in reply to part (a). Government do not propose to take any action in this connection.

Sahitya Akademi

2633. Shrimati Renuka Barkataki: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) how many publications have so far been issued by the Sahitya Akademi;

(b) how many of these publications are in English and how many in regional languages;

(c) in which regional language the highest number of books have been published; and

(d) what are the Assamese language publications sponsored by this body?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) 209.

(b) 7 publications are in English, 3 in Sanskrit and the remaining 199 in other Indian languages.

(c) The number of books published in the various languages of India (excluding Sanskrit and English) is:—

Assamese	5
Bengali	10
Gujarati	13
Hindi	40
Kannada	14
Kashmiri	5
Malayalam	18
Marathi	11
Oriya	4
Punjabi	14

Sindhi	5
Tamil	24
Telugu	15
Urdu	21
Total:	199

(d) The publications in Assamese issued so far are:

1. *Banabhattar Atmakatha* (Hindi novel by Hazari Prasad Dwivedi).
2. *Sanchavana* (an anthology of Assamese poetry).
3. *Bhakti Gita-Pada Sanchayana* (an anthology of Ancient Vaishnava lyric poetry of Assam).
4. *Amar Kavi* (a biographical sketch of Rabindranath Tagore for young readers by Lila Majumdar).

National Book Trust

2634. Shrimati Renuka Barkataki: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) how many publications have so far been issued by the National Book Trust;

(b) how many of these publications are in English and how many in regional languages;

(c) in which regional language the highest number of books have been published; and

(d) what are the Assamese language publications sponsored by this body?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) 50 (including one reprint) upto 28-5-1962.

(b) English 8

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(c) 5 books each in Bengali, Hindi and Marathi.

(d) I. Books published.

- (i) 'India Today and Tomorrow' (Azad Memorial Lectures by Shri Jawaharlal Nehru)—translated by Shri Hem Barua).
- (ii) 'Kalki' (by Dr. S. Radhakrishnan—translated by Shrimati Nilima Dutta).

III. Assamese translations of the following titles are in various stages of preparation and publication.

- (i) 'Jwalamukhi'.
- (ii) 'Aspects of Science'.
- (iii) 'Educational Reconstruction in India'.
- (iv) 'A Tale of Two Cities'.
- (v) 'Lachit Barphukan and His Times'.
- (vi) 'Akbar'.
- (vii) 'Lakshminath Bezbarua'.
- (viii) 'The Grand Rebel'.
- (ix) 'Judy and Lakshmi'.
- (x) 'One World and India'.
- (xi) 'The Transposed Heads'.
- (xii) 'Introduction to Indian Art'.
- (xiii) 'Neel Durpan'.
- (xiv) 'When the World was Young'.

12 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

(i) CERTAIN REPORTED REMARKS OF U.S. AMBASSADOR *re.* INDIA'S DEFENCE FORCES

Mr. Speaker: We shall now take up Calling Attention Notices.

Shri Warrior (Trichur): Under Rule 197, I call the attention of the Minister of Defence to the following matter of urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon:

"U.S. Ambassador Mr. Galbraith's remarks about India's defence forces as revealed in the newly-released U.S. Congressional Committee Report."

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Government of India has no responsibility nor any desire to condition the opinions expressed by His Excellency the Ambassador of the United States in India. So far as this particular matter is concerned, as I referred to before, they can only be regarded as estimates by an observer. I have stated to the House that all forces in the world are ill-equipped, that is, in regard to the making of new arms. It is very wrong to convey the impression that the Indian Army is weak and is incapable of meeting any reasonable contingency that might arise. I am sure that was not the purpose of the U.S. Ambassador. Obviously, our equipment would be lower in quality and in modernity than those of countries which receive foreign aid or military aid from other places.

The next part of the question relates to our relative relationships or lack of them, our allergy or lack of it, in regard to China and Pakistan. I have also stated in the defence debate that the defence policy of this country is conditioned by the protection of our frontiers and wherever the aggressors may come, we will do our best to safeguard ourselves. So, we do not choose between evils the way.

The third part relates to the estimate of the Ambassador about the relative reliance or otherwise that the Prime Minister places on his colleagues. I am not aware that the Prime Minister has communicated or is likely to communicate or is likely to have inferences drawn about the relative values of his colleagues in the cabinet system of Government. I have no other comments to make on this.

Shri Warrior: May I know how His Excellency Mr. Galbraith got all the details in regard to the information about our forces? He states that it is about half a million strong, etc., etc. How did he get this information which