

weighing about 15 kilos valued at about Rs. 1,75,000 seized from him.

(b) The case is under investigation.

#### Indian Army Personnel in Katanga

**322. Shri Ram Ratan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Army personnel were hurt in Katanga train smash on the 27th June, 1962; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon):** (a) and (b) There was no train accident in Katanga on 27th June 1962 in which any Indian Army personnel were hurt. Presumably, the reference is to the accident which took place on 26th June 1962. A train carrying Baluba refugees collided with a mixed passenger-goods train just outside Malonda railway station. It has been reported that the accident occurred due to mistake on the part of some railway employees. Five Other Ranks of Indian Army and 16 refugees received minor injuries. All of them were given medical aid on the spot by the Medical Officer accompanying the train.

#### Minorities in States

**323. Shri Nataraja Pillai:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any Central Government Agency functioning in the States to enquire into and to report on the working of the safeguards provided for the minorities in the States; and

(b) if so, the designation of the agent in the Kerala State?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** (a) and (b). The Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities investigates all matters relating to the safeguards provided for linguistic minorities in all

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States. There is no separate agent for doing this work in Kerala or any other State.

#### Promotion of 'Dogri' Language

**324. Shri Inder J. Malhotra:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether any aid is being given by the 'Sahitya Akademi' for the promotion of Dogri' language of Jammu region of Jammu and Kashmir state; and

(b) if so, how much and in what shape?

**The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir):** (a) and (b). No. Sir, but the Ministry sanctioned a grant of Rs. 2,000 to the Jammu and Kashmir Government during 1960-61 for bringing out the following publications:—

	Rs.
1. Dogri Folk Songs with urdu translation	1,250.00
2. A brief history of Dogri Art and Literature (English)	750.00
TOTAL .	2,000.00

#### Tribal People in Bihar

**325. Dr. U. Misra:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that surplus land in Singhbhum district and other districts in Bihar is being made available to landless tribal people;

(b) if so, whether any scheme has been chalked out; and

(c) number of tribal people who are landless in Bihar?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) Yes.

(b) Information is being called for from the Bihar Government.

(c) The information is not available with the Central Government. An en-

quiry is being made from the Bihar Government, and if they can furnish the information it will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### Staff requirements of Iron and Steel Controller

**326. Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 319 on the 26th March, 1962 and state:

(a) whether the S.R. Unit report on the staff requirements of office of Iron and Steel Controller has been submitted; and

(b) when the remaining posts will be made permanent?

**The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question of converting additional temporary posts into permanent ones will be examined in the light of the report of the S.R. Unit of the Ministry of Finance.

#### Hostel in Delhi for Backward Class Students

**327. Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hostel for Backward class students at Mall Road, Delhi is receiving grants from Government;

(b) what is the amount of grant; and

(c) whether it is a free hostel?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) Yes, the Ministry of Home Affairs has been giving grants to the All India Backward Classes Federation for their hostel for students belonging to backward classes, at Mall Road, Delhi;

(b) The grants given yearwise to the Federation for this hostel since 1956-57 are shown in the statement below:—

Year	Amount of grant
	Rs.
1956-57	8,000
1957-58	12,000
1958-59	12,000
1959-60	12,000
1960-61	8,970
1961-62	8,760
1962-63	8,760

(c) The students residing in the hostel are provided free board and lodging. Eighty per cent of the expenditure involved is met by Government grant and the remaining 20 per cent by the Federation.

#### International Summer Village Camp, Japan

**328. Shri Bishanchander Seth:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that four children have been selected from different Public Schools of the Capital to represent India at the Children's International Summer Village Camp to be held in Japan;

(b) if so, what were the criteria for selecting the boys; and

(c) what is the extent of Government assistance for this delegation?

**The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali):** (a), (b) and (c). The Ministry has no information about this delegation and has given no grant to it. An enquiry has, however, been made from the Indian Public Schools Conference about the facts of the case which will be placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha in due course.