THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNA SEN): (a) There has been no further progress beyond the position stated in reply to Starred Question No. 1532 on the 2nd August, 1967.

(b) Not yet, Sir.

(c) The High Commission of India in the U.K. is in constant touch with the British Foreign Office who, in turn, are reminding the Pakistan Government for their decision.

CHARAS ADDICTION AMONG UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

618. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that addiction of *charas* has been growing among the students of Delhi University and that almost 50 per cent of the hostel rooms are dens where regular charas sessions are held by the students;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the hippies have been the source of inspiration for *charas* addiction among the students; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNA SEN): (a) The enquiries made by Delhi University show that there is no charas addiction among the students.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

CHANGE OVER TO REGIONAL LANGUAGES 619. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : SHRIMATI TARA SAPRE :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) the nature of assistance and co-operation, the Central Government propose to give to states which have agreed to implement the policy of introducing regional languages as the media of instruction at secondary school and college education stages, in the preparation of the necessary text books within the stipulated period of time; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Central Government in this regard in so far as the Centrally administered areas and states are concerned ? THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI SHER SINGH): (a) and (b). It is proposed to earmark an amount of Rs. 18 crores for giving each State assistance upto Rs. 1 crore for book production and development of regional languages as media of instruction at the university stage. The assistance would be on the basis of 75 per cent Central assistance and 25 per cent matching contribution by the States. The States and Union Territories will be requested to work out their programmes in the sector and to send these for approval of the Centre.

ACCOMMODATION FOR SCHOOLS IN DELHI

620. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA: SHRI P. C. ADICHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools still working in tented accommodation in Delhi and New Delhi;

(b) the programme of school buildings to come up in the near future;

 (c) the approximate expenditure involved; and

(d) in which cities in India schools are run in tented accommodation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD): (a) to (c). The requisite information is being collected from the Delhi Administration and will be placed on the table of the Sabha in due course.

(d) The information is not readily available.

दिल्ली में जस्टिसेस आफ पीस

621. श्री मोहन स्वरूपः क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की ऋपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में आनरेरी मेजिस्ट्रेटों के स्थान पर जस्टियोस आफ पीस नियक्त किये जा रहे हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस परिवर्तन के फलस्वरूप नये अधिकारियों का क्षेत्रा-धिकार क्या होगा; और