BORDER SECURITY POLICE

- 578. Shri Dasaratha Deb: Will the Minister of States be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Tripura Government have to maintain border security police; and
- (b) if so, what total amount has so far been spent by the Tripura State during 1952-53 and 1953-54?
- The Deputy Minister of Homo Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) There is no separate border security police in Tripura State.
 - (b) Does not arise.

PAYMENT OF ESTATE-DUTY

579. Shri Anirudha Sinha: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the number of life insurance policies issued upto March 1954, by different companies for the specific purpose of payment of Estate-Duty and the amount covered by them?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri M. C. Shah): The requisite information is not available, as it is not required to be submitted under the Insurance Act, 1938.

TOBACCO EXCISE DUTY (MIDNAPUR DISTRICT)

- 580. Shri N. B. Chowdhury: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:
- (a) the total income during 1952-53 and 1953-54 from tobacco excise duties from Midnapur District; and
- (b) the expenditure over the administrative machinery in that area for the collection of this duty?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri A. C. Guha): (a) and (b). A statement giving the available information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix X, annexure No. 20]

ASSISTANCE FROM INTERNATIONAL BANK

- 581. Shri N. B. Chowdhury: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is obligatory on the part of Government to accept the recommendations of the International

- Monetary Fund Mission in order to qualify for assistance from the International Bank for Development and Reconstruction; and
- (b) whether any of the recommendations of the International Bank have been found to be unacceptable by Government?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C D. Deshmukh): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The International Bank's recommendations pertain chiefly to technical aspects of the projects put up for consideration of loan assistance, after technical scrutiny by its experts and no occasion has risen so far for Government not to accept any such recommendation.

VICTORIA MEMORIAL HALL, CALCUTTA

582. Sardar Hukam Singh: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state whether the question as to the lines on which the Victoria Memorial Hall, Calcutta should be developed, has been finally decided?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research Maulana Azad): No. Sir.

IRON AND COPPER IN RAJASTHAN

- 583. Shri Shobha Ram: Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:
- (a) whether iron and copper deposits have been surveyed in Rajasthan; and
 - (b) if so, what is the result?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information regarding reserves of iron and copper ores in Rajasthan is not available. It is reported that iron ore deposits are not large and that the copper ore deposits are encouraging.