

**Population of Assam**

9166. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the population of Assam in 1951, 1961 and 1971;

(b) the decadal rate of growth of Assamese speaking and Bengali speaking persons; and

(c) percentage of Hindu population and Muslim population during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA):

(a) The population of Assam at the 1951, 1961 and 1971 Census was 8,028,856 persons, 10,837,329 persons and 14,625,152 persons respectively.

(b) The decadal rate of growth of Assamese speaking population was 37.26 per cent during 1951-61 and 31.78 per cent during 1961-71 and that of Bengali speaking persons was 19.36 per cent during 1951-61 and 43.47 per cent during 1961-71.

The proportions of Assamese speaking population to total population in 1951, 1961 and 1971 are 61.32 per cent, 62.36 per cent and 60.89 per cent respectively while the proportions of Bengali speaking population to total population in 1951, 1961 and 1971 are 20.96 per cent, 18.54 per cent and 19.71 per cent respectively.

(c) The percentage of Hindu population and Muslim population are given below:—

Census year	Hindus	Muslims
1951 . . .	72.03	24.68
1961 . . .	71.31	25.30
1971 . . .	72.51	24.56

**Allocation to Goa for Rural Development Programme in the Plan**

9167. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount allocated to Goa for the Sixth Five Year Plan for rural development programmes; and

(b) the rural development schemes on which this amount will be spent?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND LABOUR (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) The total amount allocated to Goa, Daman & Diu for the Sixth Five Year Plan for rural development programmes in the State sector works out to Rs. 8230 lakhs.

(b) The schemes on which this amount will be spent are as follows:—

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	Allocation (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Agriculture & Allied Services.	2685
2.	Cooperation . . . . .	450
3.	Irrigation & Flood Control.	4050
4.	Village & Small Scale Industries . . . . .	250
5.	Minimum Needs Programme	795
TOTAL		8230

In addition to these outlays in the State Sector, an outlay of Rs. 420 lakhs has been provided in the Sixth Plan for the Centrally Sponsored Integrated Rural Development Programme.

**Metropolitan Status to Kanpur City**

9168. SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to give metropolitan status to Kanpur city; and

(b) if so, when the decision is expected to be announced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA):

(a) The Government have not evolved