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Alleged arrest and manhandling of an Advocate of Asansol (West Bengal)

7662. SHRI ROBIN SEN: SHRI KRISHNA HALDER:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Police arrested Shri Giridhari Mukherjee, an Advocate of the Asansol (West Bengal) Bar, assaulted him and also abused him;
- (b) whether the Asansol Bar Association has observed one-day total abstention from the Court on the 3rd July, 1971 and demanded suspension of the Inspector in charge of the Asansol Police Station;
- (c) whether the said Advocate was sent to the Court with handcuffs and rope tied on his waist;
- (d) whether one Municipal Commissioner was also treated by the said Officer in the same manner; and
- (e) if so, the steps Government are contemplating to take against the said Police Officer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (e). Facts are being ascertained from the State Government.

Scheme to Export Snake Skin's goods instead of raw Snake Skins

7663. SHRI JAGADISH BHATTA-CHARYYA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are exporting raw Snake Skins to U. K., U. S. A., West Germany, Italy, Yugoslavia and France;
- (b) whether Government are contemplating a plan to stop exporting raw Snake Skin to export finished Snake Skin's
- (c) whether Government have ever explored the possibilities to export Snake Skin's goods and clothes to European or U. S. markets; and
 - (d) if so, the particulars thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) Raw snake akins

are being exported to these countries by merchant exporters.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Not yet.
- (d) Does not arise.

Alleged help given to anti-socials by Police in East Calcutta

7664. SHRI JAGADISH BHATTA-CHARYYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware that the Police of East Calcutta are helping the anti-socials:
- (b) whether the Police have arrested many workers of a political party with purpose just before the last Elections in West Bengal;
- (c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a memorandum submitted by Shrimati Anila Devi on behalf of the citizens of East Calcutta to the Deputy Commissioner of East Zone in Calcutta; and
- (d) if so, what steps Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (d). Facts are being ascertained from the State Government.

Telephone and Telegraph services out of order between Calcutta and Durgapur

7665. SHRI KRISHNA HALDER: Will the Minister of COMMUNICA-TIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Telephone and Telegraph services connecting Durgapur with Calcutta had gone out of order on the 9th July, 1971 due to underground cable theft;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any steps have been taken by Government to apprehend the culprits and for proper functioning of the Telephone and Telegraph services in Durgapur; and
 - (d) if so, the particulars thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) Only telephone service between Durgapur Steel exchange and Calcutta had some out