Crimes in Delhi

1409. Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Shri Bishanchander Seth:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether thefts, robberies, burglaries, kidnappings, murders and similar crimes relating to person and property are on the increase in Delhi and New Delhi;
- (b) the number of offences pertaining to each of the categories (aforementioned) separately, registered, investigated, challaned and convicted from 1st January 1962 uptil 15th August, 1962 and during the corresponding period of 1961; and
- (c) the measures adopted by Government to arrest the deteriorating situation?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) There has been some increase this year as compared with the corresponding period of last year. A final appreciation can, however, only be made when the figures for the whole year are available.

- (b). A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 31].
- (c) Apart from increased patrolling and vigilance, proposals are under examination to strengthen the police according to the present needs based on population, registered crime etc., and to increase the mobility of the police.

Bar Councils in Punjab and Delhi

1410. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Law be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Bar Councils have not been formed in the Punjab State and Delhi?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Law (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): No Sir. The Bar Council of Punjab and the Bar Council of Delhi were constituted on 17-11-1961 and 1-12-1961 respectively.

Nickel and Cobalt in H.P.

1411. Shri P. C. Borooah: Shri Raghunath Singh:

Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that deposits of nickel and cobalt had recently been discovered in Himachal Pradesh;
 and
- (b) if so, whether a systematic survey of the region to assess the potentialities of the seams has been undertaken?

The Deputy Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri Hajarnavis): (a) and (b). No, Sir. However, Nickel and Cobalt mineralization has been reported from Kulu area of Punjab and further investigations in this area are being made.

Oil Deposits on Alleppey Coast

- 1412. Shri N. R. Laskar: Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Central Government propose to conduct an expert investigation of the sea-bed on Alleppey coast where deposits of oil are reported to have been found; and
- (b) if so, the nature of the investigation and the probable time by which the investigation will be taken up?
- The Minister of Mines and Fuel Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) No, Sir. No oil deposits have been detected along the Alleppey coast.
 - (b) Does not arise.