

keeps a watch on development in the area that might affect our interest, but have no information about any fresh U.S.S.R. build-up in the area.

SAINIK SCHOOLS

3200. SHRI A. SHREEDHARAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration to discontinue the linking of the Sainik schools with the Senior Cambridge and instead to prepare the boys of these schools for the Higher Secondary Examinations of various Boards in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the stage at which the proposal stands at present ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : (a) and (b). At present the Sainik Schools (which are run by the Sainik Schools Society) prepare boys for the NDA Entrance Examination as well as for the Indian School Certificate (ISC) examination. Some Sainik Schools prepare them simultaneously for the concerned State Board examination also. The Board of Government of the Society has decided that the Sainik Schools should switch over from the ISC syllabus to the syllabus of the All India Higher Secondary Examination of the Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi.

It is proposed to switch over to the HSC syllabus in 1969. The details of the switch-over are being worked out by the Honorary Secretary of the Society and the Principals in consultation with the Central Board of Secondary Education and the State Governments.

LEGISLATION ON FILM INDUSTRY

3201. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering introduction of legislation to deal with the various problems of the Film Industry;

(b) if so, the broad outlines of the proposed legislation; and

(c) when it will be introduced in Parliament ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The details of the proposed legislation have not yet been worked out as the whole issue is being considered in all aspects in consultation with the concerned interests. It is difficult to say what time it will take.

CHINESE TELESCOPE NEAR NATHU LA

3202. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Chinese have fixed a powerful telescope at one of their posts near Nathu La to watch the Indian side;

(b) whether it is a fact that when the Military Attaches of some Embassies visited the advanced posts in the Nathu La region recently the Chinese watched them through the telescope; and

(c) if so, the counter measures taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : (a) to (c). The Chinese troops are known to attempt to observe activities on our side through binoculars and telescopes. They also attempted to watch when the Military Attaches of some Embassies visited the advanced posts in Nathu La recently. Adequate measures, to the extent possible, to conceal movements in this area from Chinese observation are being taken.

VISIT TO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES BY COMMUNIST M.Ps

3204. SHRI D. C. SHARMA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Communist Members of Parliament who paid visits to Communist countries during the last three years;

(b) the purpose of their visits;

(c) whether it is a fact that no foreign exchange was asked for their visits; and

(d) if so, how their expenses in those countries were met ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (d). The required

information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as it becomes available.

BROADCAST OF APPEALS FOR COMMUNAL HARMONY

3205. **SHRI G. S. REDDI** : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether keeping in view the proceedings of the National Integration Council, it is proposed to increase the number of broadcasts appealing for communal harmony in the country;

(b) how many programmes a week are broadcast regarding Communal Harmony at present ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) Over the years Stations of All India Radio have been broadcasting programmes on communal harmony and projecting the composite traditions and culture of the Indian people. Recently the stations have augmented these efforts in the light of measures suggested by the National Integration Council.

(b) There is no fixed frequency for such broadcasts. The number of items broadcast on the subject vary from week to week and from station to station depending on the requirements of respective areas.

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12.19 Hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

REPORTED ASSASSINATION OF THE UNDERGROUND NAGA LEADER SHRI KAITO SEMA

SHRI SAMAR GUHA (Contai) : I call the attention of the Minister of External Affairs to the following matter of urgent public importance and request that he may make a statement thereon :

"Reported assassination of the underground Naga leader Shri Kaito Sema."

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : According to the reports received in Delhi on the night of the 3rd August, an unknown assailant fired at Shri Kaito Sema at 1830 hours that day in Kohima. Shri

Kaito Sema was seriously injured. He was removed to the Military Hospital where he was operated upon and given blood transfusion. Despite all efforts to save his life, he succumbed to his injuries at about 5 p.m. on the 4th August. The assailant has not yet been apprehended but efforts to trace him are continuing.

It will be recalled that Shri Kaito Sema was an important leader of the Underground Nagas. However, due to certain differences, he severed his connection with the extremist pro-Phizo group.

We are awaiting a fuller report from the Nagaland Government. The Government of India condemn this dastardly act of murder and deplore attempts by some sections of the Underground Nagas to intimidate by violence those who have the courage to disagree with them. We hope that this incident will be condemned by the vast majority of peace-loving Nagas. Government are determined to prevent all violations of the Agreement on Suspension of Operations, to enforce law and order firmly and to punish all offenders. Necessary steps have been taken to further tighten security measures in Kohima and elsewhere in Nagaland.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : While expressing deep sorrow for a promising Naga leader for the untimely end of his life and also expressing deep sympathy and condolence for the bereaved family of Mr. Kaito and his associates and also the people who belong to his community and in condemning the savage and brutal act of assassination, I want to submit that in view of the fact that the underground General, Mr. Kaito Sema, who played a very vital role in the underground movement had been in Pakistan, had been the Defence Minister of the underground government and broke away from the underground movement on two basic principles, firstly, when he said that the problem of the Nagas should be settled on the basis of peaceful negotiation and secondly there should be no collaboration with China, and with that end in view he wanted to frustrate the Maoist plan of having an independent communist Mao State in the eastern region of India along with the Burmese living there, —in view of these—I want to know whether the Government will assure his successor Haiko—they call him Lt.-Generat