

(c) the steps taken to protect the pay of the senior telegraphists?

The Minister of State in the Departments of Parliamentary Affairs and Communications (Shri Jaganatha Rao): (a) Yes.

(b) As an incentive to attract more candidates to the cadre of telegraphists in future, orders have been issued that all persons appointed as telegraphists after 16-2-1965 be given three advance increments of Rs. 4 each in the scale of Rs. 110/240. Time scale clerks are also eligible for these posts under certain conditions. As officials appointed prior to 16-2-1965 are not entitled to this special benefit, it would happen that some clerks who became telegraphists before 16-2-1965 may get less pay than their juniors appointed as telegraphists after that date.

(c) It is not intended to give any such protection.

Emergency in Jammu and Kashmir

5339. Shri Sham Lal Saraf:
Shri Surendranath Dwivedy:
Shri Thimmalah:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Dr. Chandrabhan Singh:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Law Department of the Central Government have held the Acts on the Statute Book of Jammu and Kashmir sufficient to deal with any emergency that might arise with regard to law and order in that State and therefore, the continuance of Defence of India Rules there has little sense; and

(b) whether in view of this categorical opinion, the State Government will be advised to withdraw D.I.R. from its Statute Book forthwith?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Nanda): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Arrest of Naga with Explosives

5340. Shri Rajdeo Singh:
Shri Bal Krishna Singh:
Shri Panna Lal:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have information that the Manipur Police arrested one Angami Naga with some explosives in his possession on the 24th April, 1966; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs and Minister of Defence Supplies in the Ministry of Defence (Shri Hathi): (a) and (b). On the 24th April, 1966 police searched a hotel named 'Naga Popular Hotel' at Gandhi Avenue, Imphal and recovered one kilogram of gun powder. The manager of the hotel and one Angami boarder were arrested. A case has been registered and investigation is being made.

Telephone connections in Delhi

5341. Shri A. P. Sharma: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4559 on the 27th April, 1966 regarding the telephone connections in Delhi and state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase the capacity of Tis Hazari Telephone Exchange;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of new connections expected to be sanctioned from this Exchange after re-arrangements are carried out consequent to the installation of additional equipment of the Delhi Gate Exchange;

(d) the ratio in which these new connections will be distributed between O.Y.T. and non-O.Y.T. applicants; and

(e) the reasons for not giving these new connections solely to non-O.Y.T.