EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES TO LINGUISTIC MINORITIES IN MAHARASHTRA

- 5521. SHRI S. A. AGADI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the linguistic minorities in Maharashtra State are not given proper educational facilities in their mother tongue;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that no Kannada text-books are made available in Sholapur District of the Maharashtra State; and
- (c) the number of Kannada medium schools that are running in Sholapur district and the total strength of students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) The number of Kannada medium Primary and Secondary schools in Sholapur District in the year 1966-67 was 117 and 7 respectively. The number of students studying in these schools was 13,016 and 2,409 respectively.

PROBLEM OF DACOITY IN MADHYA PRADESH

5522. SHRI D. V. SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in view of the age old problem of dacoity in the five Northern Districts viz. Bhind, Morena, Gwalior, Shivpuri and Datia and in the five North-eastern Districts, viz. Sagaur, Damoh, Panna, Chhatarpur and Tikamgarh of Madhya Pradesh, the State Government have submitted any short term or long term schemes for preventing this menace in the said areas effectively on a national basis;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether with a view to studying the problem in right perspective, Government have obtained any

facts and figures relating to the frequency, nature, areas affected, and modus operandi of the incidence of dacoity in the said Districts, through their own agencies or through Madhya Pradesh Government, if so, when and the details thereof; and

(d) what decision, if any, has been taken and what scheme drawn out to effectively check this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected from the State Government and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha when received.

DACOITY IN TRIPURA

5524. SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB BURMAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that cases of dacoity in Tripura have been on the increase since the beginning of this year;
- (b) if so, the number of such cases in the said Union Territory since January this year and how it compares with number of such cases in the corresponding period during the last two years and in how many cases the culprits could not be apprehended in each period;
- (c) the main reasons for the increasing incidence of dacoity in Tripura;
- (d) the loss of life and property in these cases in each of the said periods; and
- (e) the special steps, if any, being taken to prevent the crime and to ensure security of life and property in the Union Territory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.