

Pro-Maharashtra Demonstration in Belgaum

2754. SHRI D. C. SHARMA :
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether his car was stoned in Belgaum on the 3rd October, 1968 by some pro-Maharashtra demonstrators gathered near the Circuit House to voice their demand for the transfer of Belgaum, Nipani and Karwar from the Mysore State to Maharashtra ;

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter ; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to deal with the problem ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) to (c). According to information furnished by the State Government, the Maharashtra Ekikaran Samiti demonstrators tried to stop the Home Minister's car as it came out of the Circuit House. A few stones were also thrown at the car. However, the car proceeded further. A case under sections 341, 337, 355, 147, 149 and 427 of the Indian Penal Code has been registered and is under investigation. Necessary instructions have been issued to the concerned officers to prevent recurrence of such incidents. So far as the boundary dispute itself is concerned efforts are being made to settle it as early as possible.

Scholarships to Students from Non-Hindi States

2755. SHRI JAGANNATH RAO JOSHI : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that Government gives scholarships to students from Non-Hindi States, who opt Hindi as major subject ;

(b) if so, what are the criteria on which the scholarships are given ; and

(c) the number and names of such students and colleges who are recipients of these scholarships ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI SHER SINGH) : (a) Scholarships are awarded every year to students from non-Hindi speaking States, for post-Matric studies provided Hindi is taken as one of the subjects.

(b) Candidates are selected Statewise in order of merit on the basis of their marks in Aggregate as well as in Hindi, obtained at the "next below" examination.

(c) This Scheme was started in 1955 and the number of awards made since then is as follows :—

1955-56	10
1956-57	66
1957-58 to 1960-61	110 each year
1961-62	150
1962-63	220
1963-64	220
1964-65	1500
1965-66	1000
1966-67	500
1967-68	1000

Thus, a total of 5,106 scholarships have been awarded till 1967-68. It is proposed to award 1,000 scholarships during 1968-69.

The scholarships are not given to the Colleges but direct to the candidates. The selected candidates study at various recognised Colleges/Institutions whose number is more than 300, spread all over the Country. It will be unwieldy to furnish a complete list of the names of students who have been awarded scholarships as well as the names of the Colleges where they have studied over a period of 13 years.

विश्वविद्यालयों के सभी विभागों में हिन्दी माध्यम

2756. श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : क्या शिक्षा मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने 1973 तक हिन्दी भाषी राज्यों के विश्वविद्यालयों के सभी विभागों में हिन्दी को माध्यम बनाने का निर्णय किया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार द्वारा अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की गई है और भविष्य में क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?