

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4583  
ANSWERED ON:22.08.2000  
DARJEELING GORKHA PARVATYA PARISHAD  
S.P. LEPCHA

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to provide Constitutional guarantee to the Darjeeling Gorkha Parvatya Parishad constituted in 1988;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the funds provided by the Union Government to this Parishad during 1999-2000?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): There is no proposal under consideration at present.

(c): In 1999-2000, an amount of Rs. 22.23 crores was allocated to the Government of West Bengal for the designated hill areas of Darjeeling district.