Andaman Special Pay

49. Shri Mohammad Elias: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered the question of increasing the Andaman special pay for the employees working in the Andamans in view of the rise in cost of living; and

(b) if so, the decision taken thereon?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Hathi): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

Education System in Andaman and Nicobar Islands

50. Shri Mohammad Elias: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the study team which was appointed by the Education Department of the Central Government has completed its enquiry regarding the education system in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) whether the study team has made any recommendation regarding the medium of education for the non-Hindi speaking students in Andaman and Nicobar Islands; and

(c) if so, what is the recommendation?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagia): (a) The Ministry of Education has not appointed in the recent past any such study team.

(b) and (c). The question does not arise.

Firing at Port Blair

51. Shri Mohammad Elias: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the one man commission of enquiry which was appointed by the Central Government to enquire into the firing at Port Blair in 1962 has completed its enquiry; and

(b) if so, the finding thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Hathi): (a) and (b). The requisite information was laid on the Table of the House on the 16th March, 1963.

12.00 hrs.

OBITUARY REFERENCES

Mr. Speaker: I have to inform the House of the sad demise of two of our friends, namely Shri Banarai Prasad Sinha and Dr. Hari Mohan.

Shri Banarsi Prasad Sinha was a sitting Member of the House from Monghyr constituency of Bihar. He was also a Member of the First and Second Lok Sabha during the years 1952 to 1962. He passed away at Monghyr on the 15th May, 1964, at the age of 65.

Dr. Hari Mohan was a Member of the First Lok Sabha during the years 1952 to 1957. He passed away on the 18th May, 1964, at the age of 52.

We deeply mourn the loss of these friends and I am sure the House will join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

The House may stand in ailence for a short while to express its sorrow.

(The Members then stood in silence for a short while.)

12.02 hrs.

RE: MOTIONS FOR ADJOURNMENT AND CALLING-ATTENTION NOTICES

(QUERY)

Mr. Speaker: I have received notices of adjournment motions as well as