

## Delhi Hospitals

श्री शाहनवाज खां : दो तीन साल से जारी है और इसी साल काम शुरू हो जायेगा ।

श्री भक्त दर्शन : श्रीमन्, मेरे प्रश्न का जवाब अभी भी नहीं दिया गया है ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : क्या मिनिस्टर साहब कोई आइडिया नहीं दे सकते कि इस काम को मुकम्मल होने में कितने साल लगेंगे? माननीय सदस्य बार-बार यही बात पूछ रहे हैं ।

श्री शाहनवाज खां : मैं यहां नहीं कह सकता, लेकिन बहुत जल्दी, साल डेढ़ साल में, मुकम्मल हो जायगा ।

श्री बागड़ी : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि . . . . .

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आर्डर, आर्डर । क्या माननीय सदस्य को लाइसेन्स है कि वह जब चाहें खड़े हो जायें और सवाल करने लगे ? श्री नरेश्वर नायक ।

**Shri Maheswar Naik:** May I know whether the hon. Minister is in a position to say by what date the construction is likely to be completed?

**Mr. Speaker:** He has answered that so far as he could.

Now, Shri Bagri. If he wants to ask a question, he can ask.—

Now, next question.

श्री बागड़ी : मैं अर्ज करना चाहता हूँ कि . . . . .

अध्यक्ष महोदय : अग्नब मैंने नेक्स्ट क्वेश्चियन बुला लिया है ।

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\*1421. { Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:  
          { Shri Rameshwar Tantia:  
          { Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the series of articles appearing in the times of India during the last week of May, 1962 on the state of Delhi hospitals;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken note of the complaints made therein; and

(c) the Government's reaction thereon?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Health (Dr. D. S. Raju):** (a) Yes, Sir. The articles referred to, pertain to the conditions of some of the Civic Hospitals in Delhi run by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi;

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The matter has been brought to the notice of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi for suitable action.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Has it come to the notice of Government that the spirit of service to suffering humanity which should animate doctors and nurses has, compared to what it was even ten years ago, tended to decline or weaken, and also the sense of discipline and cleanliness among other staff in hospitals has been perceptibly eroded? If so, what measures do Government propose to improve matters?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** The spirit of service among the doctors and nursing profession is, I think, on the increase.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Increase? Good news. But the other part has not been answered.

**Mr Speaker:** He also referred to cleanliness having eroded perhaps.

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** There is a general shortage of doctors and nurses and

also shortage of beds. In view of these factors, it is rather difficult to have that cleanliness and hygienic condition.

**Shri Hem Barua:** So it is admitted.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Have reports reached Government that in some hospitals not merely in Delhi but all over the country, some surgeons refuse to perform operations and even leave their patients on the table unless and until they are paid the fee in cash?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** There might be a few isolated instances. If the hon. Member brings any such case to our notice, it could be rectified. But it is not a general practice.

**Shri Rameshwar Tantia:** Is it a fact that many patients have to wait in queues for hours for getting doctors' advice? If so, will Government consider increasing the number of doctors in such hospitals?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** It is under consideration. There is a general shortage of doctors and out-patients have to wait. That is so all over India.

**श्री भक्त दर्शन :** श्रीमन्, चूक कई वर्षों से इन अस्पतालों के सम्बन्ध में शिकायतें आ रही हैं और दिल्ली म्यूनिसिपल कॉर्पोरेशन ने अभी तक इस सम्बन्ध में कोई व्यवस्था नहीं की है, इसलिए क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार इनको सीधे अपने हाथ में लेने का विचार कर रही है।

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** It is a suggestion for action.

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** माननीय सदस्य यह जानना चाहते हैं कि क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार इनको अपने हाथ में लेने का विचार कर रही है। यह सजेस्टियन नहीं है।

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** That will have to be considered. I do not think it is being taken up now.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Is there any truth in certain reports current

in Delhi to the effect that the senior Minister, not the Deputy Minister—she is not present—herself had an unfortunate experience before she became Minister of the fact that the attitude of some doctors to patients is conditioned by the fact whether the patient concerned is related to Ministers or other high-ups?

**Mr. Speaker:** It is all inference.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** No, Sir. It is not an inference. It is a fact

**Mr. Speaker:** Probably this Minister might not have had that experience.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** She is not present here. I wanted to know if she had that experience.

**Mr. Speaker:** Shri Shiv Charan Gupta.

**Shri Shiv Charan Gupta:** Is it a fact that operation theatres in some hospitals are not air-conditioned with the result that operations are postponed for months?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** It is true that in summer it is rather difficult to perform major operation unless the theatre is air conditioned. That has happened in some hospitals.

**श्री तुलसीदास जाधव :** अभी कहा गया है कि फीस अदा न होने की सूरत में डाक्टर पेशेंट को आपरेशन न करके ही छोड़ कर चले गए। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या इस तरह के प्रीवेंसिस सरकार के कानों तक आए हैं और अगर आए हैं तो उनकी गिनती कितनी है?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** It has not come to our notice.

**श्री बड़े :** क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में पहले नर्सों को दिन में आठ आठ घंटे ही काम करना पड़ता था जबकि अब उनको बारह बारह घंटे काम करना पड़ता है?

क्या इसलिए वे अच्छा काम नहीं करती हैं, ठीक काम नहीं करती हैं?

**Mr. Speaker:** Hem Raj.

**Shri Bade:** May I put it in English as no answer has been given?

अध्यक्ष महोदय अंग्रेजी में सवाल करने की यह लात नहीं है : मैंने समझा था कि यह सवाल जनरल है । लेकिन ग्राह नर्सों में चले गए . . .  
(Interruptions). Order, order.

चूंकि सवाल जनरल था इसलिए मैंने उनको जवाब देने के लिए नहीं बुलाया ।

**श्री हेम राज :** दिल्ली के जॉ अस्पताल है, क्या यह सच है कि उनके एम्प्लायीज में वहां आपस में नाचाकी है, इसलिए वहां जो पेशेंट्स होते हैं, उनका इलाज दुरुस्त तोर पर नहीं किया जाता है ?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** No, Sir: it has not come to our notice.

#### Import of Luxury Tourist Cars

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\*1422. { **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:**  
**Shri P. C. Boroah:**

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India is negotiating a barter agreement with a U.S. firm for the import of luxury tourist cars in India; and

(b) if so, the financial implications of the proposed agreement?

**The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) No, Sir. A proposal to this effect was received from Air India some months past and is being examined by the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Commerce & Industry.

(b) The financial implications of the proposal have not yet been ascertained from Air India.

**Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** How long would it be before this proposal is finally processed and we know the position in respect of the barter deal?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** It was not possible to give a specific time limit by which a final decision could be taken it will be decided soon.

**Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** With what Indian commodities are we proposing or is it proposed to have the barter for luxury cars from the United States?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** The proposal as received is that first class passages will be arranged by the Air India for certain parties who will undertake the export of these cars to India.

**Shri P. C. Boroah:** Are there some other U.S. firms who have offered to export cars on a barter basis and if so what are their names?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** So far as we are concerned in the Ministry of Transport, an enquiry has been made by the Air India. We studied the proposal and Government is considering it and negotiations can be started possibly after govt. has come to some decision. Only one proposal has been received from the Air India.

**Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:** May I know if there would be any gain in the foreign exchange by accepting this proposal?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I think it will not be proper for me to anticipate the findings or conclusions of the consideration by the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry at this stage.

**Shri S. N. Chaturvedi:** Can these luxury cars be not manufactured in India?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I do not think. There is a ban at present on the import of these cars and therefore it is not possible to import parts and components for their manufacture.

**Shri Tyagi:** From the answer of the hon. Minister it seems that the Ministry of Transport and Communications has agreed in principle to the import of these luxury cars. It is only when