

itself will be improved. The occupation of the children will be looked after and the atmosphere will be more congenial.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** Do I take it from the answer given by the hon. Deputy Minister that neither the staff is adequate nor are the children tackled there properly nor are the arrangements to look after them adequate? Is my inference correct?

**Shrimati Alva:** The staff is the caretaker staff, as I have just said. But it is not that reason. As Dr. Sushila Nayar said, perhaps it is a blot on the home if such things happen. But the home has been started recently and we are trying to make it a model home for the children.

#### Engineering College in Palghat

\*1580. **Shri Maniyangadan:** Will the Minister of **Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether sanction has been accorded for starting an engineering college in Palghat District in Kerala State;

(b) whether it has been started;

(c) if not, the reason therefor; and

(d) when will the college be started?

**The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir):** (a) to (d). The establishment of an Engineering College in Palghat District in Kerala State has been approved in principle. The College will start functioning after the details of financial arrangements are settled with the Government of Kerala.

**Shri Maniyangadan:** May I know whether this will be started in the public sector or in the private sector?

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** There is really no question of any public sector or private sector in this. It will be started mainly with the assistance of a society called, The Nayar Service Society.

**Shri Maniyangadan:** May I know whether any private agency has applied for permission to start this college; if so, whether that permission will be granted?

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** I have just now said that it will be set up with the assistance of a society called, The Nayar Service Society.

**Shri Punnoose:** May I know whether the reference made is to Shri Mannath Padmanabhan, leader of the liberation struggle?

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** I have no information on the matter.

**Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** May I know whether this engineering college will be in addition to the one engineering college which will be started by the Centre in Kerala?

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** That regional college will be somewhere near Mangalore. That will not be in Kerala proper, I believe, that will be in Mysore State and not in Kerala.

**Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** About eight engineering colleges have been sanctioned during the Second Plan period to be started and run by the Centre. Will not Kerala get one out of them?

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** I will have to look up the list, I cannot always carry all the names in my head.

**Shri Easwara Iyer:** What will be the strength of the college that is likely to be started there?

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** I think we shall start with about 120 students.

**Shri Punnoose:** In view of the fact that there are complaints that private managements collect extra fee from the students by way of voluntary donations for admission, and a large number of students in Kerala are prepared to join the engineering college, may I know whether the Government would consider making it a central college.

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** This matter has been under discussion for some

time. At one stage the State Government wanted it to be a State college. Now the State Government is of the view that it should be started with the assistance of the Nayar Service Society. Regarding the other part of the question, there were in the past allegations that private agencies had taken donations from the students. That has been stopped now.

**Shri Punnoose:** The hon. Minister said that now the State Government is of opinion that it should be started by a private agency. May I know whether there was another opinion sometime before?

**Mr. Speaker:** He said so.

**Shri Humayun Kabir:** But I think it would be correct to say that all the State Governments have sometimes been of the view that it should not be a State institution but that it should be started with the help of an association in the State.

दिल्ली में साइकिलों की चोरी

\*१५८२. श्री रा० स० तिवारी : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क.) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में साइकिलों की बहुत चोरियां होने लगी है ;

(ख) १९५९ में कितनी साइकिलें चुराई गई ; और

(ग.) प्रतिदिन औसतन कितनी साइकिलों की चोरी होती है ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्री (श्री गो० ब० पन्त) :  
(क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). १९५९ में चुराई गई साइकिलों की संख्या १६१९ । १९५९ में चुराई गई साइकिलों की प्रतिदिन औसतन संख्या ४.४३ ।

श्री रा० स० तिवारी : श्रीमन् भविष्य में साइकिलों की चोरी न हो उसके लिये सरकार ने क्या प्रबन्ध किया है ?

श्री गो० ब० पन्त : अब जब भी इतिला मिलती है कि कोई साइकिल की चोरी हो गई तो उसकी पुलिस वाले तहकीकात करते हैं और जहां कहीं बड़े मजमे होते हैं वहां पर सरकार की तरफ से पुलिस तैनात की जाती है ताकि ज्यादा गड़बड़ न हो । अब हर एक साइकिल के पीछे हर वक्त कोई पुलिसमैन लगा रहे तो यह तो बहुत मुश्किल सी बात लगती है ।

श्री रा० स० तिवारी : साइकिलों की चोरी करने के जो आरोह हैं तो उनका क्या सरकार को कुछ पता चला है ?

श्री गो० ब० पन्त : कुछ लोग पकड़े गये हैं और उनको सजा हुई है ।

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** May I know whether it is a fact that in cycle thefts the cycles are not being traced because immediately after the theft they are converted into cycle rickshaws and that is one of the difficulties experienced by the police?

**Shri G. B. Pant:** Well, I will take note of the suggestion made, but I do not think that we know. A number of cycles had been recovered. In 1959 413 cycles were recovered and 49 persons were convicted.

Fleet Air Arm Base at Cochin

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\*1583. { **Shri A. K. Gopalan:**  
**Shrimati Parvathi**  
**Krishnan:**  
**Shri Kunhan:**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has been made towards the setting up of the fleet Air Arm Base at Cochin;

(b) what is the cost of the project; and

(c) when will it be completed?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon):** (a) The Indian Navy has no fleet Air Arm. The Fleet Requirement Unit of the Indian Navy is, at present, based at Cochin. The