

made reference was dismantled not during the last war but in the war before that, that is in 1918.

INDIGENOUS MEDICINES

*1204. **Dr. Satyawadi:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Advisory Committees on indigenous medicines have submitted any report; and

(b) if so, whether copies of the recommendations of the Committees will be laid on the Table of the House?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) Yes.

(b) A copy of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Ayurveda which met on the 12th October, 1954, is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 33].

Dr. Satyawadi: May I know the Government's reactions on the suggestions submitted by the Advisory Committee?

Shrimati Chandrasekhar: We have accepted all those recommendations.

Dr. Satyawadi: Has any Tibbia College approached the Government for any grant and, if so, may I know Government's reactions thereon?

Shrimati Chandrasekhar: The Tibbia College of Delhi has asked for some help. We have received the application and it is under consideration.

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: May I know whether an exception has been made by the Advisory Committee and whether this indigenous medicine comes under definition of 'modern medicine'?

Mr. Speaker: I think about four days back he put some such question.

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: The hon. Minister said that indigenous medicine is not included in 'modern medicine'. I want to know whether this indigenous medicine comes under 'modern medicine'.

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): Ayurveda cannot come under 'modern medicine'.

RESEARCH ON TIMBERS

*1206. **Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether any research on timbers has been carried out in Darjeeling District; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to utilise the lesser known timbers in that district?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) Yes.

(b) Some lesser known timbers like Kapasi, Saur and Chilauni are already being used; the possibility of using others is under consideration.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury: May I know whether any paper factories are envisaged in the Darjeeling district, as a considerable amount of timber for this purpose may be available?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: Not to my information. I want notice for it. It is for the Commerce and Industry Ministry to say that.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury: May I also know whether any tea chest factory is proposed to be started, because that is a commodity greatly used in the Darjeeling district?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: Already the capacity is used for shoe-lace and packing cases, high class furniture and others. The question of starting more factories, I am afraid, has to be referred to the Commerce and Industry Ministry.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury: May I know whether all the lesser known timbers that can be used for other commercial purposes are exported to other countries?

Mr. Speaker: I think that can be put to the Commerce Ministry.