

के सामने हैं [ब्रिटीश वीरिनिश्ट ४, अनुबन्ध सं० ४६].

FORMATION OF A WOMEN'S CORPS

*791. **Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state whether Government would consider the formation of a Women's Corps under the present set-up of the Indian Land Army and thus open a way for recruitment of women to the Indian Army?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): At present women are eligible for recruitment to Military Nursing and Medical Services of the Indian Army only. They are also employed in a civilian capacity in some Establishments. Government is not considering any proposal to make women eligible for recruitment to the Regular India Army.

PLURAL MARRIAGES

*795. **Th. Lakshman Singh Charak:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 267 on the 22nd November, 1954 and state:

(a) whether any cases of plural marriage of Government servants have since come to the notice of Government; and

(b) if so, the action taken against the officers concerned?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) No case of plural marriage in contravention of the Government orders on this subject recently promulgated has so far come to notice.

(b) Does not arise.

CANTONMENT BOARD, AMBALA

*797. **Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the factory premises of the Cantonment

Board, Ambala, such as the Water Works, etc. are registered under the Factories Act, 1948;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the provisions of the said Act have not been enforced there so far; and

(c) the main reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): (a) Yes. The Cantonment Board, Water Works are the only Factory Premises in charge of the Cantonment Board, Ambala.

(b) The provisions of the said Act have already been enforced to the premises in question except that the full weekly rest is not allowed to the engine drivers.

(c) It has not been possible for the Cantonment Board to allow weekly rest to this staff so far due to financial difficulties. However, the matter is being looked into and an increase in the number of engine drivers with a view to enabling them to enjoy the weekly rest is under consideration.

INDIAN NURSES

*800. **Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state the number of Indian nurses attached to the three wings of the Defence Services of India?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): 562 Indian nurses are attached to Hospitals in the three wings of the Defence Services.

TEACHERS IN WEST BENGAL

206. **Shri N. B. Chowdhury:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of special cadre teachers appointed in one-teacher school and the number appointed in other schools in West Bengal under the scheme to provide employment for the educated unemployed persons; and

(b) whether the Government of India will have any responsibility