

(b) He visited the Fair on his own.

(c) It was a routine visit with no political implications.

मंत्री की स्वैच्छिक निधि से चिकित्सा संस्थाओं को वित्तीय सहायता

71. श्री प्रताप सिंह नेगी : क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार नियोजन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1970-71 के दौरान उनकी स्वैच्छिक निधि में से किन-किन व्यक्तियों और चिकित्सा संस्थाओं को वित्तीय अनुदान दिया गया था और उसकी राशि कितनी थी; और

(ख) वर्ष 1967-68 से 1970-71 तक की अवधि के दौरान उक्त निधि में से उत्तर प्रदेश के किन-किन व्यक्तियों और चिकित्सा संस्थाओं को वित्तीय अनुदान दिया गया ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार नियोजन मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ए० के० किस्कू) : (क) और (ख). अपेक्षित सूचना संबंधी विवरण मे दी गयी है जो सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है। [प्रम्यालय में रख दिया गया। देखिये संख्या एल० टी—167/71]।

Nationalisation of Foreign Oil Companies

72. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRI be pleased to state :

(a) whether the three foreign oil companies have repeatedly been demanding increase in the prices of crude oil, insisting on payment in foreign currencies and resorting to unhealthy competition with the Indian Oil Companies; if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereon;

(b) whether Government propose to nationalise the foreign oil companies; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the economic gain or loss to the country in either of the cases ?

PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRI (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) All suppliers of crude oil, including the three foreign oil companies, asked for increase in the price of crude oil as a result of the agreement reached between the oil companies operating in the region and the Oil, Producing & Exporting Countries (OPEC) of the Gulf area. Apart from the demand for a higher crude price, there is no change in the system of paying for crude nor any un-healthy competition in crude imports with any Indian Oil company.

(b) and (c). There are no immediate proposals for nationalising the foreign oil companies. Any such decision will have to take into consideration a large number of factors including the economic evaluation of the proposal.

Production of Defence Requirements

73. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the RAKSHA MANTRI be pleased to state :

(a) the proportion of our defence requirements produced internally and their value and volume;

(b) the proportion and details of defence requirements imported from particular countries and their value in terms of rupee or foreign currencies respectively; and

(c) the target for achieving self-sufficiency in defence production and reasons for not achieving the same immediately ?

RAKSHA MANTRALAYA (RAKSHA UTPADAN) MEN RAJYA MANTRI (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) It will not be in the public interest to disclose this information.

(b) To meet our urgent requirements, we are obtaining some supplies from other countries for our Defence Forces and it would not be in the public interest to disclose the details. Our policy is to produce in the country important Defence requirements; however