

do so in order to keep pace with the 1200 Defence research projects taken in hand during 1970-71 ?

**RAKSHA MANTRALAYA (RAKSHA UT PADAN) MEN RAJYA MANTRI (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) :** (a) and (b). plans have been formulated for the production of a light-weight bridge and for assault trackway. Competence is being built up for the development of equipment used in detection of Submarines.

**Recommendations of Tariff Commission for Dye-stuff Industry**

91. **SHRI B. NARAYANAN :** Will the **PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Committee has been constituted to examine the recommendations of the Tariff Commission in regard to the dye-stuff industry; and

(b) if so, the composition and terms of reference of the Committee ?

**PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) :** (a) and (b). No. The Tariff Commission in their report on the dye-stuff industry have recommended that a Standing Committee should be set up to make a detailed assessment of capacity, production, quality, prices, supply and demand in respect of the dye-stuff industry. The recommendation has been accepted by Government and formal orders setting up the Standing Committee is expected to be issued shortly.

**Expenditure on publicity under Nirodh Commercial Scheme**

92. **SHRI DHANDAPANI :** Will the **SWASTHYA AUR PARIVAR NIYOJAN MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) the reasons for reduction in the expenditure on publicity under the Nirodh Commercial Scheme and for lesser purchase of contraceptives and equipment for intensifi-

cation of Family Planning programme during 1970-71; and

(b) whether there is some relaxation in the efforts for population control ?

**SWASTHYA AUR PARIVAR NIYOJAN MANTRALAYA MEN RAJYA MANTRI (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) :** (a) Expenditure on publicity under the Nirodh Commercial Scheme as well as on conventional contraceptives increased during the year 1970-71 as shown below :

Year	Publicity under Nirodh Commercial Scheme Rs. (lakh)	Conventional Contraceptives Rs. (lakh)
1969-70	25	58.19
1970-71	45	120.00

(b) Does not arise.

**Programme for Modernisation of Indian Navy at Vishakhapatnam Naval Base**

93. **SHRI DHANDAPANI :** Will the **RAKSHA MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the programme taken up at the Vishakhapatnam Naval Base for modernising the Indian Navy; and

(b) by what time the programme is to be completed ?

**RAKSHA MANTRI (SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM) :** (a) and (b). It will not be in public interest to disclose the details of the programme for modernising the Vishakhapatnam Naval Base.

**Forming of a New Alliance For South-East Asia**

94. **SHRI SAMINATHAN :** Will the **VIDESH MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that a small N. A. T. O. type alliance in South East Asia, complete with men and arms, is being formed;