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Surveillance Radar

- 3555. SHRI SATYENDRA NARAYAN SINHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have contracted for obtaining surveillance radar from abroad;
- if so, whether any Indian organisation had also developed similar radar equipment and systems; and
- (c) if so, reasons for not making use of Indian systems and equipment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE **DEPARTMENT** OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No. Sir.
- (c) Radar which have been developed and productionised indigenously аге being inducted into service. Other radars which are in the process of indigenous development will be introduced as and when they are fully developed.

Development of Western Ghats during Seventh Plan

- SHRI T. BASHEER: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :
- the proposals for the development of the Western Ghats Region during Seventh Five Year Plan:
- allocated for those amount schemes; and
 - (c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI A. K. PANJA): (a) The proposals for the development of Western Ghats region during the Seventh Five Year Plan period would include development programmes in sectors like Agriculture, Horticulture, Soil Conservation, Animal Husbandry, Dairy development, Forest, Fisheries, Minor Irrigation, Transport, Water Supply, Village Industries and Sericulture.

A total amount of Rs. 116.50 crores for the entire area covered by the Western Ghats Development Programme (WGDP) has been provided for the Seventh Plan period. Schemewise allocations of this outlay will depend on the proposals made by the concerned States.

(c) The State-wise allocation of Special Central Assistance for WGDP for the Seventh Plan is as follows:

Written Answers

Maharashtra	(Rs. crores) 38,10
Karnataka	28.20
Tamil Nadu	19.90
Kerala	23.80
Goa	6.00
Survey & Studies)	0.50
Western Ghats Sectt.)	
Total:	116.50

Enquiry into Missing Radium Needle from Mission Hospital in Shillong

3557. SHRI S. M. GURADDI: SHRIMATI D. K. BHAN-DARI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER he pleased to state:

- (a) whether the experts from the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre(BARC) Trombay have been enquiring into the missing of a radium needle from a Mission Hospital in Shillong;
- if so, what are the details of their findings:
- (c) whether the rest of the radium needles have been taken into possession by the BARC; and
 - (d) if not, reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE OF SCIENCE AND MINISTRY **TECHNOLOGY** AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVE-LOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELEC-TRONICS AND SPACE. (SHRI SHIV-RAJ V. PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

The patient was implanted with radium needles having a total redium content of 9.5 mgs on 17-6-85. The Hospital staff found the needles were missing from the body of the patient on 19-6-85. As soon as BARC was informed, experts were sent to look into the matter. The present stock of radium with the Hospital is 345 mg. accessible areas in and around the institution are safe from the radiation safety view point.

(c) and (d). The radium stock has been frozen.

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Discovery of Ancient Temples and Ships Near Sea Coast at Dwarika

3559. DR. A. K. PATEL: SHRI C. JANGA REDDY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ocean Archaeological Unit of the National Oceanography Institute, Goa has discovered the remains of ancient temples and ships near the sea-coast at Dwarika;
- (b) if so, the progress made in this regard so far and the plans made for future; and
- (c) what light does this discovery of the remains of ancient temples etc. at Dwarika throw on the ancient history of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) A group lead by Dr. S. R. Rao, Retired Superintendent Archaeologist, Archaeological Survey of India has reported discovery of arcient remains near the sea coast of Dwarika. National Institute of Oceanography (NIO) provided logistic support.

(b) Investigations were started by Dr. S. R. Rao in 1981 with logistic support provided by NIO and under Indian National Science Academy(INSA) grant. Work carried out in Bet Dwarika region revealed archaelogical evidence. These have been reported to be of late and post Harrappan period. Offshore surveys have been conducted beyond the entry point of the ancient harbour at Dwarika during 1983-84. A wall like olignment has been noticed. mergence is indicated by a massive stone wall built on the wall cut bench in the intertidal zone. Dr. Rao has submitted a three year programme of investigation,

in the coastal areas at different sites, to the Department of Science and Technology (DST) for funding. DST has agreed to provide support, CSIR has agreed to provide logistic support through NIO.

(c) Work so far undertaken indicated submergence in the region in Bet Dwarika. Further from decipherment of letters found on a jar, collected in course of investigation, it has been reported that these are indentical to semitic alphabets of thirteenth-twelfth Century B.C.

12.00 hrs.

[Translation]

SHRI VIJOY KUMAR YADAV (Nalanda): Sir, the teachers of the Delhi University are on strike on the issue of implementation of the agreement reached with them...(Interruptions).

The agreement reached with them is not being implemented...(Interruptions).

[English]

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA (Bankura): Sir, six thousand teachers in Delhi University are on strike since yesterday.

MR. SPEAKER: That does not matter.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Sir, there was an agreement.

MR. SPEAKER: You give me something, then I will see.

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: We have already given.

MR. SPEAKER: I will get the information.

(Interruptions)

MR SPEAKER: I have already allowed one 377.

(Interruptions)

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: 377 will not do. We want policy decision.