

[Translation]

Lack of facilities in Dr. R. M. L. Hospital

413. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is acute shortage of facilities in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital;

(b) if so, whether in emergency ward, two to three patients are made to share the same bed;

(c) whether there is a danger of spreading of disease as a result thereof; and

(d) if so, the action being taken by Government to improve this situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) and (b). Being a Central Government Hospital admission is not refused to any patient who comes for treatment and needs indoor admission. Patients flock to this Hospital not only from Delhi but even from the neighbouring States. This results in over-crowding which is the primary cause for any observed shortages of facilities. However after the recent re-organization of the Emergency Department, there has been considerable improvement in the situation. Priority is now given to Emergency cases in the matter of admissions of in-patients over routine and non-emergency admissions.

(c) There is no reliable data on cross infection as a result of sharing of beds. However improvements made recently should lower such infection, if any.

(d) To provide better care round the clock, special services have been arranged. A Cleanliness Committee has been supervising the hospital services with particular reference to emergency department where cleanliness has been considerably improved.

[English]

Recommendations of Mehrotra Committee on pay scales of University teachers

414. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any decision on the recommendations of the Mehrotra Committee on revised pay scales of University teachers;

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations of the Committee and Government's decision in respect of each;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay in taking prompt action on the recommendations; and

(d) how do these recommendations compare with those of the National Commission on Teachers set up by Government in 1983 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) to (c). No, Sir. The recommendations of the Mehrotra Committee are under the consideration of an Empowered Committee constituted by the Government for examination of the report.

(d) The National Commission on Teachers of Higher Education set up in 1983 had not recommended the pay scales of teachers in Universities and Colleges. Any comparison of the pay scales recommended by this Commission with those of the Mehrotra Committee does not, therefore, arise.

New alignment of National Highway No. 17

415. SHRI G. M. BANATWALLA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the need to take up the new alignment of National Highway No. 17 urgently as the

reach from Pudukonani to Edapally (Kerala) will be subjected to heavy traffic with the completion of Varapuzha Bridge; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to approve the alignment and sanction the estimate expeditiously?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. During the current Five Year Plan only certain stretches are proposed to be realigned for which a provision of Rs. 330 lakhs has been made. The route alignment in general in certain sections has been approved. The work of land acquisition for the approaches to Varapuzha bridge for connecting to the existing National Highway has already been sanctioned.

Recruitment of highly trained scientific personnel by multinationals

416. **SHRI V. S. KRISHNA IYER :** Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that several multinationals from USA, Japan and Sweden dealing in electronics, drugs etc. are recruiting highly trained scientific personnel by paying higher salaries than offered by National Laboratories and Universities; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to see that highly talented scientific personnel get sufficient attraction from country's own National Laboratories and Universities instead of going abroad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) No such recruitment in India by multinationals has come to the notice of the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

(b) Any comparison of salaries and other benefits offered by multinational cor-

porations of the developed countries to their scientific personnel with those available to the scientists working in the research laboratories and universities in India would be unrealistic. The salaries and other conditions of service of scientists in our laboratories and universities are broadly comparable with those of the organised services under the Government.

Upgradation of Air Traffic Control at Bombay and Delhi airports

417. **SHRI D. N. REDDY :** Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any proposals to upgrade the air traffic control and air navigation facilities at the international airports at Delhi and Bombay;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether this will be done in collaboration with any advance foreign country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At both places the proposal involves construction of technical blocks and procurement and installation of equipment listed below :—

- (i) Modern long range and Airport Surveillance Radars co-located with Secondary Surveillance Radars;
- (ii) Airport Surface Detection Equipment (ASDE);
- (iii) Terminal Very High Frequency Omni Range (VORs) co-located with Distance Measuring Equipment (DMEs)
- (iv) Category-II Instrument Landing Systems (ILS) with associated Visual Guidance Systems;
- (v) Radio Data Processing, Flight Data Processing and Voice Control Communication Systems. Additionally,