

unemployment allowance was sought to be provided by the State Government, nor did it indicate the annual estimated outlay required for the purpose. The reply to part (c) of Question No. 5819 was not limited to the problem of unemployment in the State of Tripura but was with reference to the problem in the country as a whole.

Health Visitors in Willingdon Hospital

10016. SHRI NATVAR LAL B. PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that persons working as Health Visitors in Willingdon and Safdarjung Hospitals of Delhi have no opportunities for promotion;

(b) when these posts of Health Visitors were created in each of these hospitals and the number of Health Visitors that were promoted to the next higher grade till date;

(c) the number of Health Visitors who have put in more than 16 years of service and have yet not been promoted; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to see that employees falling under these categories do not perpetually suffer under frustration and if so, the details of steps proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) to (d). There are no posts of Health Visitors in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital. The 3 posts of Health Visitors in the Safdarjung Hospital were created in the years, 1954, 1955 and 1975. Two of the Health Visitors have put in 16 years of service. There are no higher grades to which the Health Visitors can be promoted. However, such of the Health Visitors who are graduates and have 5 years experience as Health Visitor

are eligible for being considered for the post of Health Educator which is in the higher grades of Rs. 425—700, as against the pay scale of Rs. 330—560 of the Health Visitor.

Amount sanctioned for Vishakhapatnam Steel Plant

10017. SHRI SUBHASH CHANDER BOSE ALLURI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned for the construction of Vishakhapatnam Steel Plant; and

(b) what progress has so far been made in setting up the plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) and (b). The Detailed Project Report (DPR) which was commissioned in April, 1975 was received from the Consultants in October, 1977 and is under scrutiny by Steel Authority of India Limited. Meanwhile, preliminary works like land acquisition, soil investigation, raw material testing, etc. have been going on.

An amount of Rs. 1 crore has been allocated for 1978-79 for continuation of preliminary works.

SC/ST Employees in E.S.I.C. Madras

10018. SHRI A. MURUGESAN: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Employees' State Insurance Corporation of Tamil Nadu is abnormally low;

(b) if so, the number of such employees and proportion to total strength of office in Tamil Nadu Region;