

### Addition of Railway Hospitals

7364. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Railway Hospitals opened in different Railway Zones, during the last ten years;

(b) the number of such Railway hospitals opened in South Eastern Railways (Division-wise);

(c) whether it is a fact that the number of Railway hospitals opened in Khurda Road Division of South Eastern Railway Zone is inadequate;

(d) if so, whether his Ministry has a proposal to open some more Railway hospitals in this Division of South Eastern Railway in 1982-83; and

(e) the progress made so far, in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKAR-JUN): (a) Five.

(b) Though there has not been any new Hospital, the bed strength has been increased at the following hospitals:—

	No. of beds	
	1971-72	1980-81
Garden Reach	241	250
Kharagpur	366	386
Adra	182	192
Tata	35	55
Bondamunda	25	35
Bilaspur	70	102

(c) There is one Divisional Hospital with 80 beds at Khurda Road to cater to the entire medical needs of railway employees at Khurda Road Division of South Eastern Railway.

(d) and (e). Proposals for 50 additional beds to meet this need and the anticipated needs of roughly 4000 workers and their families from New Mancheswar Workshop are being prepared at present for inclusion in Mancheswar Workshops Estimates. Planning for this extension has been taken in hand.

### Difference over tonnage acquisition programme during 6th Plan

7365. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have emerged some difference between his Ministry and the Shipping Corporation of India over the tonnage acquisition programme of the latter in the Sixth Plan period;

(b) if so, the nature of differences between the two; and

(c) what was the number of ships proposed to be purchased, reasons for differences and from where these ships were proposed to be purchased?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI VERRENDRA PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Shipping Corporation of India has proposed to acquire 21 vessels in the first phase of their expansion programme (1981-83). Out of this, three vessels are proposed to be acquired from Indian Shipyards and the remaining from abroad. The Corporation's firm proposals are still awaited.

### Repair of ships of Shipping Corporation of India

7366. SHRI NAVIN RAVANI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ships of Shipping Corporation of India lying sick and since when; and