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Chairman. The question of shelving the Inspection Team's report, therefore, does not arise.

Canadian visa restrictions for Indian Visitors

3059. SHRI BHIKU RAM JAIN: KUMARI PUSHPA DEVI SINGH:

SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:

SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Canada had changed its visa policy for Indian visitors;
- (b) whether the Indo-Canadian community there demanded that visa restriction were unjust and that visitors, tourists and businessmen from India should be admitted to Canada without visa;
- (c) whether the matter was discussed between the representatives of the two countries; and
 - (d) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM): (a) The Government of Canada introduced, with affect from 15th October 1981, visa requirements for Indian citizens wishing to visit Canada.

- (b) The Government is aware of the sentiments expressed on this subject by members of the Indian community resident in Canada.
- (c) and (d). Yes, Sir. It has been repeatedly brought to the notice of the Canadian authorities at various levels that the imposition of visa restrictions by Canada is not conducive to free movement among nationals of Commonwealth countries. The Canadian decision to introduce the new visa system for Indian nationals was a unilateral decision.

Proposal to ban display of advertisement Re, sale of Tobacco preparation

3060. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to ban display of advertisements regarding sale of tobacco preparations like cigarettes and bidis in view of the fact that the caution contained in the statutory warning on smoking has not created the desired impact on the masses; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHAN-KARANAND): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Wheat eaters more prone to develop stone than rice eaters

3061. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been invited to a news-item in a daily (Deccan Harald dated 25 September, 1982, that wheat-eaters are more prone to develop stones in the urinary tract than rice eaters as per study conducted at the National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad; and
 - (b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHAN-KARANAND): (a) and (b) The Press Report refers apparently to a study carried out at the National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad, showing that solubility of Uric acid in urine is reduced on a wheat diet. Formation of urinary calculi depends upon many factors including diet. The aforesaid Study tends to suggest that, when other conditions of urine are favourable to Calculi formation, the ingestion of wheat diet might increase the propensity of urine to form stones.