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Written Answers

1459. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLAN-NING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the Doctors working in Emergency Department in Willingdon Hospital do 'not pay proper attention to the patients; and

(b) if so, whether Government have considered any proposal to make surprise visits to such Hospitals ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY HEALTH AND FAMILY PLAN-NING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) : (a) No. Patients are looked after by the doctors on duty.

(b) Officers of the Directorate General of Health Services visit the Hospital frequently sometimes without intimation to the Hospital

## **Employment in MIG Factory**

1460. SHRI G. Y, KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of persons given employment in the Sonabada MIG Factory since its inception;

(b) the number of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes who were given opportunities; and

(c) the criteria adopted in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Number of persons employed in MIG Factory, Sunabada as on 1st January, 1971 is 2484.

(b) 139 belong to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes.

(c) In 1969, a directive was issued by the Government laying down the percentage of vacancies to be reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for various classes of employees. This directive was amended in 1970. The directive as amended also lays down the procedure for carrying forward vacancies if suitable candidates are not available in a particular year. The Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. is currently following these directives.

## **Purchase of Submarines from Britain**

1461. SHRJ R. R. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India is trying to buy submarines from Britain ; and

(b) if so, the total financial implications of this project ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM): (a) and (b) It is our policy to acquire military hardware from a variety of sources, depending on its suitability and availability. It will not be in public interest to disclose details.

## Effects of Deficiency of Protein on Health of Adults

1462. SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a recent study conducted by the doctors of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, revealed that an average Indian consumes only three quarters as much protein now as he did in 1965 and that deficiency of protein has serious effects not only on children but can also seriously impair the health of adults;

(b) whether Government have studied the implications of the finding of the doctors of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences ; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by Government in its nutritional programmes in an effort to check the decline in the consumption of protein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPA-DHAYA): (a) Recent studies conducted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences among the rural population of the Nainital District in Uttar Pradesh revealed that deficiency of calories and proteins can impair the health of not only children but also of adults. The Institute have not made any studies for

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