

पर डाक्टरों को रात्रि - ड्यूटी भत्ता देने का प्रश्न नहीं उठता है।

(2) चौकीदार जिन्हें गमियों में 7.30 बजे सांय से 7 बजे प्रातः और सर्दियों में 8 बजे प्रातः तक इन औषधालयों में वाच एण्ड वार्ड की ड्यूटी पर रहते हैं : अन्य जगहों की तरह रात की ड्यूटी देना उनकी सेवाओं की एक शर्त है और इसलिये उन्हें रात्रि - ड्यूटी भत्ता देने का प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Taking over of Simla Medical College

7347. SHRI M. M. HASHIM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to take over Simla Medical College from the Himachal Pradesh Government ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(c) the total number of Professors and students in the Medical College at present ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present there are 8 Professors and 261 students in the Medical College.

Decline in the Profits of Oil and Natural Gas Commission

7348. SHRI M. M. HASHIM : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the profits of the Oil and Natural Gas Commission for 1969-70 have gone down ;

(b) if so, the extent of loss of profit ; and

(c) the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) to (c). The profits of ONGC declined from Rs. 1293.14 lakhs in the years 1968-69 to Rs. 1070.37 lakhs in 1969-70. The decrease was of the order of Rs. 222.77 lakhs. This decrease in profits is due to firstly, the new fields where commercial production started during the year did not bring in commensurate financial returns to absorb the increase in the exploratory/development expenditure written off during the year, and secondly due to an increase in the amount of bonus/ex-gratia payment.

Beggars suffering from Leprosy in Delhi

7349. SHRI M. M. HASHIM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the beggars suffering from leprosy have shown rapid increase in Delhi ; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to check these and arrange for their treatment ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI A. K. KISKU) : (a) and (b). The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement issued by the U.S. Embassy

7350. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the reports which