75 Written Answers

Sainik School at Hashimara

3268. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Sainik School is proposed to be opened at Hashimara; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM): (a) and (b). No, Sir. Sainik Schools are opened only at the request of the State Government/Central Administration, who bear the cost of the School buildings, furniture, etc. and who also award Scholarships to the boys selected from the State for admission into these Schools. Government of India have not received any request from the Government of West Bengal for opening a second Sainik School in Hashimara. There is already a Sainik School in West Bengal which is located at Purulia.

Eye-Operations Performed by the Royal Commonwealth Society for Blind, London

3269. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: SHRI R. N. BARMAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether eye-operations throughout the country were performed at camps sponsored by the royal Commonwealth society for the Blind, London;

(b) whether operations for the prevention of blindness were also performed under the "Eyes of India Campaign"; and

(c) if so, the total number of persons operated upon the extent to which success achieved under this campaign?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI UMA SHANKAR DIKSHIT): (a) Yes, Eye operations were performed in 9 States of India with the help of the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind. These States are: Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Mysore, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, U,P, and Bihar. (c) 21.752 operations for the restoration of sight were performed and 6,587 operations for the prevention of imminent blindness. Altogether 210,094 people received treatment for conditions which might have led eventually to impaired sight, during the period fro 1st January to 31st December, 1970.

House building Cooperative Societies in Tripura

3270. SHRI BIREN DUTTA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of House Building Cooperative Societies in Tripura;

(b) the total amount given to them during the year 1969-70; and

(c) how many houses have been built during the said period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI I. K. GUIRAL): (a) to (c) The intormation has been called for from the Government of Tripura and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha as soon as possible.

Complaints of Physical, Sexual Psychological Symptoms due to vasectomy Operations

3271. SHRI P. GANGADEB: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether 15 to 20 per cent of the patients undergone vasectomy complain of physical, sexual and psychological symptoms which they attribute to the operation;

(b) whether research has proved that there will be neurotic tendencies in the patients;

(c) if so, whether it is due to poor and defective medical follow up; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to rectify it, so that it may not have had effects on the Family Planning Programme in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPA-DHYAYA): (a) The effects of vasectomy may be classified as follows:

(b) Yes.