

**Survey of Gulf of Kutch for Deep Sea Fishing**

6558. SHRI VEKARIJA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey has been conducted in the Gulf of Kutch in regard to deep sea fishing; and

(b) if so, the results thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHAB P. SHINDE): (a) and (b). Preliminary survey of the pattern and availability of fish in the gulf of Kutch has been carried out intermittently by the vessels of the Central Deep Sea Fishing Organisation. The surveys were carried out in the areas within the Gulf and in the adjacent open sea. Preliminary results have shown moderate availability of quality fish and prawns in the area. In order that regular and systematic surveys may be taken up in this area, arrangements have been made to establish a survey base at Kandla.

**Indian Medical Association opposed to National Health Scheme**

6559. SHRIMATI BHARGAVI  
THANKAPPAN :  
SHRI Y.S. MAHAJAN :

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

(a) whether the Indian Medical Association has strongly opposed the proposed National Health Scheme;

(b) if so, on what grounds the Association is opposing the Scheme; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI A. K. KISKU) : (a) Yes.

(b) The main objections raised by the Indian Medical Association and others are given below :—

- (i) Mixing up of the various systems of medicine should be avoided.
- (ii) The Scheme provides a back-door recognition to un-educated and untrained practitioners.
- (iii) Instead of unqualified people being paid remuneration, the Government may pay honorarium to the medical people for their attachments to Primary Health Centre/hospitals etc.
- (iv) The training programme is not only inadequate and expensive but also uncalled, for, retrograde and would serve no useful purpose.
- (v) Doctors at Primary Health Centres would not have time and competence to supervise the work of this heterogeneous group of practitioners.
- (vi) It would be better to provide more amenities at Primary Health Centres so that the doctors may have no objection to be posted in rural areas or else start a parallel scheme of Primary Health Centres with ayurveds etc.
- (vii) Instead of launching the scheme the Government should force medical graduates to serve in rural areas and bonds should be taken from them during training period.

(c) The objections and suggestions raised by Indian Medical Association and others have been considered in great detail and the scheme has been suitably revised.

**Request for Fodder from Mysore**

6560. SHRI C.R. JAFFER SHARIEF :  
SHRI DHARAMRAO AFZAL-  
PURKAR :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any request was made by the State of Mysore to the Central Government for the supply of fodder to the State ; and.