

(b) Medical Science is advancing at a rapid pace and Government is always anxious to benefit by experiments conducted elsewhere and to adopt them for the benefit of mankind. Hyperbaric therapy is a comparatively recent introduction and hyperbaric chambers are very expensive. With the acute foreign exchange situation at present it may be sometime before import of these machines on any large scale may be feasible.

Cancer

4125. **Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:** Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to news-item entitled 'Blood poisoning bacteria can control Cancer' appearing in the *Times of India* dated the 5th April, 1966;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to apply the new method for the control of cancer in India; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). This being a preliminary report which requires confirmation and general acceptance, the question of its application will arise only on the effectiveness of the experimental work being established.

Vettuva Community in Kerala

4126. **Shri Bagri:**
Shri Kishen Pattanayak:
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
Shri Vishram Prasad:
Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:
Shri Utliya:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Mohammed Koya:

Will the Minister of Planning and Social Welfare be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question

No. 1933 on the 7th December, 1965 and state:

(a) whether the decision for the inclusion of the Vettuva Community of the Malabar region of Kerala in the list of Scheduled Castes has since been taken by Government;

(b) if not, the reason for the delay; and

(c) when the decision is likely to be taken?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) to (c). The whole question of revision of lists of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is still under consideration and it is hoped to finalise the matter very soon.

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4127. श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी :
 श्री प्र० चं० बरुवा :
 श्री भागवत झा झाजाद :
 श्री सुबोध हंसदा :
 श्री स० चं० रामन्त :

क्या स्वास्थ्य तथा परिवार नियोजन मन्त्री यह बताने की वृत्ता करेगी कि :

(क) चालू वित्तीय वर्ष में नगरीय सामुदायिक विकास कार्यक्रम में लिये कितनी धनराशि नियत की गई है ;

(ख) प्रागामी वित्तीय वर्ष में कितनी राशि नियत की जायेगी; और

(ग) इस कार्यक्रम की क्रियान्वित में अब तक कितनी प्रगति हुई है ?