· Purchase of Condoms

6241. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORK, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of foreign exchange that will be involved in purchase of condoms from abroad during 1969-70; and

(b) the total amount paid for the purchase of condoms during the year 1967-68 from foreign market as well from Indian manufacturers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING; AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR): (a) The requirements of condoms will be received either as gift or procured indigenously.

(b) Rs. 12:02 lakhs were paid for the purchase of condoms during the year 1967-68. No purchase of condoms could be made through indigenous sources in 1967-68, due to non-availability of standard quality of supplies.

Collapse of a Water Storage Tank in New Delhi

6242. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: SHRI YASHPAL SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING; AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a water storage tank collapsed in New Delhi on the 9th February, 1968;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed as a result thereof;

(c) the number of persons injured;

(d) the amount of compensation paid to the next of the kins;

(e) whether any inquiry has been conducted into the incident; and

(f) if so, the details thereof.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING; AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI B.S. MURTHY): (a) A portion of the floor slab of the tower of one of the four reservoirs under construction by the contractors of Water Supply & Sewage Disposal undertaking, Delhi Municipal Corporation collapsed on the evening of the 8th February, 1969, just after the casting had finished.

(b) Two,

(c) Seven.

(d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(e) and (f). The incident has been enquired into by the local police of Hauz Khas Police Station. A case under Sections 336, 337 and 304-A I.P.C. was registered on the same date i.e. 8.2.1969 and investigations are in progress. Three persons were arrested in this connection.

Foreign Experts on Family Planning Visiting India

6243. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA : SHRI YASHPAL SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING; AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State :

(a) the number of foreign experts who came to India in connection with the Family Planning Programme since its inception to assist Government;

(b) the countries to which they belonged and the dates on which they visited India; and

(c) amount spent by Government on each of them.