

follow the fee structure prescribed by the Supreme Court/Government.

(e) and (f) No, Sir.

(g) Any violation of the Supreme Court orders by a medical college is liable to attract Contempt of Court.

✓ Militants of J&K

173. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether militants operating in Kashmir Valley have now turned their attention to the two hitherto peaceful districts of Rajouri and Poonch where they are now establishing their bases;

(b) whether Government have intensified their vigil in these districts;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) nature of the activities of the militants in these two districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIAN): (a) to (d) Government are aware of the reports and efforts by the militants to indulge in terrorist activities in the Rajouri and Poonch areas of Jammu & Kashmir. Steps are being taken on a continuous basis to ensure that such activities and designs can be effectively contained. The steps taken include increased vigilance on the border/LOC, strengthening of security arrangements in the area including increased and intensified involvement of the local police as well as the people of the area through Village Defence Committees etc. A close watch is being maintained on the developments which are being closely monitored.

Fertile Breeding Ground for Mosquitos

174. PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the scientists of the National Institute of Communicable Diseases Yamuna has become a fertile breeding ground for mosquitos and threatening the outbreak of the dreaded Japanese Encephalitis;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard; and

(c) the measures contemplated by the Government to check the chances of such a situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (c) According to studies carried out by the National Institute of Communicable Diseases (NICD), the riverine belt of Yamuna river is congenial for breeding of mosquitos and vectors for Japanese Encephalitis. In view of limited population of pigs, the amplifier host, the chances

of outbreak of Japanese Encephalitis are minimal.

However, the Government of NCT Delhi and Uttar Pradesh have undertaken steps to clear the vegetations, anti-larval operations including desilting and cleaning operations in the riverine belts of the Yamuna to eliminate breeding grounds of the vectors.

In addition, Directorate of National Malaria Eradication Programme has been imparting training to entomologists of MCD and local authorities of U.P. Government who are fighting this menace in the Yamuna region.

Influx of Rural Population

175. KUMARI FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an influx of rural population in the towns of Orissa specially in Western Orissa due to continuous drought in Orissa, resulting growth in the crime rate;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to generate employment opportunities for the unemployed youths in the towns of Western Orissa;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) This Department is not aware of any such information on crime rate.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) This Ministry is implementing two Centrally sponsored Urban Poverty Employment Programmes namely, Nehru Rojgar Yojana (NRY) and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMIUPEP) throughout the country including Orissa.

NRY:-The Scheme of Urban Micro Enterprises (SUME) and the Scheme of Urban Wage Employment (SUWE) are being implemented for providing self employment and wage employment opportunities to the urban poor living below the poverty line. Central funds amounting to Rs. 1829.52 lakhs have been released to Orissa State since 1989-90 and an allocation of Rs. 205.88 lakhs has been made for the year 1997-98.

Under PMIUPEP 11 towns of Orissa are covered namely Bhadrak, Bolangir, Brajarajnagar, Baripada, Jeypur, Jharsuguda, Sunabeda, Bargarh, Bhawanipatna and Jatani. This programme has self employment as one of its many components meant to benefit the urban poor living below the poverty line.

(e) Does not arise.