

project, Japanese Yen 7,869 million constitute the external aid component. The expenditure incurred on initial activities under the project upto March, 1991 was Rs. 2.69 crores.

Fall in Female Ratio

786. Shri Govindrao Nikam : Will the Minister of **Human Resource Development** be pleased to state :

(a) whether as per 1991 census the female population in the country is falling ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

(c) what is the birth ratio of male and female ; and

(d) whether Government propose to narrow the gap between the male-female ratio ?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Youth Affairs and Sports and the Department of Women and Child Development (Kumari Mamata Banerjee) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The estimate of birth ratio of male and female ranges from 107 in 1981 to 110 in 1983 according to the Sample Registration System.

(d) Yes, Sir.

[*Translation*]

Hostel for Students belonging to SCs/STs

787. Shri Ram Narain Berwa : Will the Minister of **Welfare** be pleased to state :

(a) whether the condition of hostels for students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is pathetic in the States ;

(b) whether it is a fact that these students hostels lack general amenities like good food, clothing, electricity and accommodation etc.

(c) whether the Government propose to provide more financial assistance or special central grant to States for improving the conditions of these students hostels ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

The Minister of Welfare (Shri Sitaram Kesri) : (a) to (d) : Under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of hostels for SCs/STs boys/girls Central assistance is provided to the State Governments on a matching grant basis for the construction of buildings for the hostels.

The expenditure on the running and maintenance of the hostels is provided by the State Governments. The Government of India does not provide any Central assistance for this purpose.

[*English*]

Falciparum Malaria cases in Gujarat

788. Dr. K. D. Jeswani : Will the Minister of **Health and Family Welfare** be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Falciparum Malaria cases reported in the State of Gujarat during the last one year ;

(b) whether malaria research centre is functioning in the Kaira District of Gujarat ; and

(c) if so, the details of its functioning ?

The Minister of Health and Family Welfare (Shri M. L. Fotedar) :

(a) The number of Falciparum Malaria cases reported by State of Gujarat during 1990 and 1991 is as follows :

Year	p.f. cases
1990	1,34,215
1991 (Upto March)	17,301

(b) Yes. A field station of Malaria Research Centre was opened in Nadiad Taluka, Kheda District, Gujarat in 1983.

(c) The field station is engaged on the demonstration of (i) Bioenvironmental control of malaria, (ii) research on the control of mosquito breeding, (iii) training of staff of the health department and collaborative agencies, (iv) transfer of technology to the health department, (v) development of a monitoring system to ascertain the impact of intervention measures and (vi) preparation of action plan for the entire district.

[Translation]

Lord Jagannath Temple, Orissa

789. **Shri Govinda Chandra Munda** : Will the Minister of Human Resource Development be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received information from Orissa Government during the last three years regarding development of cracks in the Lord Jagannath Temple :

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total amount proposed to be sanctioned by the Government during the current year for reconstruction and repair of the temple ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

The Minister of Human Resource Development (Shri Arjun Singh) : (a) to (c) : The Archaeological Survey of India has not received any specific information from the Government of Orissa regarding the development of cracks in the main temple of Lord Jagannath, Puri during the last three years.

As per the recommendations of the Experts, the Conservation works on Lord Jagannath Temple, Puri and the subsidiary shrines within are in progress, for which an allocation of Rs. 6.75 lakhs has been made in the current financial year

[English]

P. G. Allowance to ISM Post-Graduates

790. **Shri Roshan Lal** : Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Post-Graduate doctors of the Indian Systems of Medicines working in C.G.H.S. are paid Post-Graduate Allowance ;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

(c) whether the Government propose to give Post-Graduate Allowance to such doctors ; and

(d) if so, the details therefor ?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Shrimati D. K. Thara Devi Siddhartha) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) : In view of (a) above question does not arise.

Poor Result of CBSE

791. **Dr. Kripasindhu Bhoi** : Will the Minister Human Resource Development be pleased to state :

(a) whether the result of Central Board of Secondary Education for X standard was extremely poor for the year 1990-91 ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor :

(c) whether Government propose to compensate such students who failed marginally by promoting them to the next class, provisionally ;

(d) whether Government are aware that the failed students are being denied admission by the schools from where they appeared as regular candidates particularly in Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Ashok Vihar, Delhi ; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government to ensure readmission to the failed students in the same school from where they appeared ?