(iii) that the period of absence recommended by an Authorised Medical Attendant may be covered in part, by leave under this rule and in part by any other kind of leave, and that the amount of special disability leave granted on leave salary equal to that admissible on earned leave shall not exceed 120 days.

46. Hospital leave

- (1) The authority competent to grant leave may grant hospital leave to-
 - (a) Class IV Government servants, and
 - (b) such Class III Government servents whose duties involve the handling of dangerous machinery, explosive materials, poisonous drugs and the like, or the performance of hazardous tasks.

while under medical treatment in a hospital or otherwise, for illness or injury if such illness or injury is directly due to risks incurred in the course of their official duties.

- (2) Hospital leave shall be granted on the production of medical certificate from an Authorised Medical Attendant
- (3) Hospital leave may be granted for such period as the authority granting it may consider necessary, on leave salary-
 - (i) equal to leave salary while on earned leave for the first 120 days of any period of such leave; and
 - (ii) equal to leave salary during half-pay leave, for the remaining period of any such leave.
- (4) Hospital leave shall not be debited against the leave account and may be combined with any other kind of leave which may be admissible, provided the total period of leave, after such combination does not exceed 28 months.
 - (5) (a) In the case of a person to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 (8 of 1923) applies, the amount of leave salary payable under this rule shall be reduced by the amount of compensation payable under clause (a) of sub-section(i) of section 4 of the said Act.
 - (b) In the case of person to whom the employees'
 State Insurance Act, 1948 (34 of 1948)
 applies, the amount of leave salary payable
 under this rule shall be reduced by the
 amount of benefit payable under the said Act
 for the corresponding period

47. Seamen's sick leave

(1) A Government servant serving as an officer, warrant officer or petty officer on a Government vessel may, while undergoing medical treatment for sickness or injury, either on his vessel or in hospital, be granted leave, by an authority competent to grant leave, on

leave salary equal to full pay for a period not exceeding six weeks:

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Provided that such leave shall not be granted if a Government medical officer certifies that the Government servant is malignering or that his ill-health is due to drunkenness or similar self-indulgence or to his own action in wifully causing or aggravating disease or injury.

- (2) A seaman disabled in the exercise of his duty may be allowed leave on leave salary equal to full pay for a maximum period not exceeding three months, if the following conditions are fulfilled, namely:
 - (a) a Government Medical Officer must certify the disability;
 - (b) the disability must not be due to the seaman's own carelesness or inexperience;
 - (c) the vacancy caused by his absence must not be filled.
 - (3) (a) In the case of a person to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 (8 of 1923) applies, the amount of leave salary payable under this rule shall be reduced by the amount of compensation payable under clause (d) of sub-section (t) of Section 4 of the said Act.
 - (b) In the case of a person to whom the Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 (34 of 1948) applies, the amount of leave salary payable under this rule shall be reduced by the amount of benefit payable under the said Act for the corresponding period.

Tribal Farmers

- 808. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Union Government have sought report from the State Government of Maharashtra regarding the cases of indebtedness and settlement of the persons involved particularly the tribal farmers of the State; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and relief provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA): (a) No such report has been called by the Union Government from the State Government of Maharashtra.

(b) Question does not arise.

DRDA

- 809. DR. JAYANTA RONGPI Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state
- (a) Whether DRDA functions are entrusted to Zila Parishads and Autonomous Councils in certain States, and