

12.09 hrs.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Seventy-first Report

[English]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRIMATI SHEILA DIKSHIT): I beg to move:

"That this House do agree with the Seventy-first Report of the Business Advisory Committee presented to the House on the 3rd May, 1989."

MR. SPEAKER: The question is:

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The motion was adopted.

12.10 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULE 377

[English]

- (I) **Need to take urgent measures to control the spread of 'Monkey disease' in general parts of North and South Canara districts of Karnataka.**

SHRI. G. DEVARAYA NAIK (Kanara): Monkey disease is posing serious threat in North Canara and South Canara districts in Karnataka. It has so far claimed 35 lives and several hundreds of persons are under treatment.

The State Government has not been able to rescue the people from this deadly disease. The people who are worst affected

are children and women of the weaker sections of the society.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government of India to send a team to the area to assess the loss. Immediate measures have to be taken to manufacture serum for this disease. A factory should be set up in the State to manufacture Serum and other medicines to check this disease. I request the Union Government to arrest this disease immediately and to save the people.

[English]

- (II) **Need to fill up posts in Khurda Road Division and other Railway Stations in Orissa.**

SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK (Cuttack): Railway reservation and other activities have been seriously affected on several Railway Stations in Orissa under Khurda Road Division in General and Cuttack and Bhubaneswar Railway Stations in particular due to large number of posts lying vacant. It is regrettable that efforts are not being made to fill up the vacancies despite the fact that these posts are lying vacant for the last four years. The vacant posts include those of Commercial Clerks and Station Booking Clerks. A few years back the Railway Service Commission had prepared a panel of candidates after conducting tests and forwarded it to the South Eastern Railway headquarters at Garden Reach, Calcutta for recruitment. It is reliably learnt that 90% of them were from Orissa. Since then the list has been gathering dust in the Personnel Department at the headquarters.

The Khurda Road Division authorities had drawn the attention of S.E. Railway, Calcutta, several times pointing out the acute shortage of staff and the resultant crisis.

12.12 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

In view of this, I demand that all the