

procurement of sub-standard equipment and chemicals for the laboratory in Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital were received by the Deputy Medical Superintendent. An Enquiry was conducted by the Professor and Head of the Department of Pathology, Lady Hardinge Medical College and Senior Medical Officer in charge of Stores, Smt. Sucheta Kripalani Hospital. The allegations were found to be incorrect as the test report on all these items were found to be satisfactory.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The allegations were enquired into by the Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Lady Hardinge Medical College and found to be incorrect.

Bonded Labour

*10. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received a demand for undertaking an all India survey to identify bonded labour and for setting up a National Commission on Bonded Labour; and

(b) if so, the decision of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEY): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

At present, there is no proposal before the Government for undertaking an all India survey for identification of bonded labour. As the responsibility for identification of bonded labour rests with the State Governments, they have been advised periodically to undertake such surveys for the purpose. The Government is also not considering setting up a National Commission on Bonded Labour in view of above.

Modernisation of Silk Industry

*11. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:

SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have considered the silk industry's demand for modernisation;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (c). In order to supplement the efforts of State Governments for modernisation of the silk industry, the Central Silk Board (CSB) has set up a net work of R & D units for propagating modern and improved techniques of mulberry cultivation seed production and silk-worm rearing to improve Productivity as well as quality of silk production. Similarly through the Demonstration-cut-Training Units set up by CSB., modernisation of the silk reeling and processing industry is being promoted.

With a view to encourage modernisation of the silk reeling, processing and weaving industry and keeping in view the requirements of the silk export sector, the Government have permitted the import of 27 silk machineries under O.G.L. in the new Import-Export Policy 1988-91 with duty concession. Further, import of 2 more silk machineries has recently been allowed under O.G.L.

Achievement of Afforestation Targets by National Wastelands Development Board

*12. SHRI RAM PYARE PANIKA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the afforestation targets set by the National Wastelands Development Board for the current Plan;

(b) the progress made so far in this direction; and

(c) the measures proposed to be taken to achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) to (c). Afforestation targets are fixed on an year to year basis. The targets and achievements of the first three years of the Seventh Plan are as under:

(Area in million hectares)

	Target	Achievement
1985-86	1.45	1.51
1986-87	1.71	1.76
1987-88	1.79	1.77

For 1988-89, the target is 2.00 million hectares. The progress till September 1988 is reported to be 1.35 million hectares.

Draw of Lots under Rohini Residential Scheme

*13. SHRI PIYUS TIRAKY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Development Authority has decided not to draw any more lots in respect of allotment of residential plots under the Rohini Residential Scheme but to allot plots according to the seniority list prepared on the basis of the dates of registration; and

(b) if not, when the next draw of lots for plots is scheduled to be held?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) and (b). The allotment under the Scheme will be made in future on the basis of a seniority list of the remaining registrants prepared by computer on random method in Delhi Development Authority. The draw of lots will be only to decide the plot numbers to the individual registrants in the computer prepared seniority list. The date for next draw will depend on developed plots becoming available.

Increase in Encephalitis Cases

*14. DR. G.S. RAJHANS:
SHRI KALI PRASAD
PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidence of encephalitis is on the increase in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise break up of such patients alongwith the number of deaths, per year, during the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken to control and eradicate the disease?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTILAL VORA): (a) In the last five years, the number of cases and deaths according to reports received from State Health authorities are as under:-

Year	Cases	Deaths
1	2	3
1984	3370	1405
1985	2490	916
1986	7500	2627