

(b) if so, the demands made by them and decision taken thereon,

(c) whether it is a fact that the recommendation of the Third Pay Commission to give selection grade to 10 per cent of the Pharmacists from January, 1973 has not been implemented; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHAN-KARANAD):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The demands relate to the revision of scale of pay promotional avenues, release of pay for the strike period and grant of selection grade. No decision has been taken thereon.

(c) and (d). The Pay Commission had recommended Selection Grade to 10 per cent of the Pharmacists. Government has sanctioned 20 per cent of the posts of the Pharmacists in the Selection Grade.

### **CEREBRAL MALARIA**

\*68. **SHRI BABURAO PARANJPE:**  
**SHRI RAM PRASAD AHIR-**  
**WAR:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the battle to contain malaria has been unsuccessful;

(b) whether it is also a fact that new varieties of malaria e.g. Cerebral Malaria is causing new anxieties;

(c) if so, the steps taken to control it and number of cases reported during the last one month; and

(d) how were Delhi people educated and warned against new type of almost fatal malaria?

**THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHAN-KARANAND):** (a) No, Sir,

(b) No, Sir. In fact, the incidence of P. falciparum type of malaria, which occasionally causes cerebral malaria, has declined by more than 12 per cent during the period January—September, 1982, compared to the incidence during the corresponding period last year.

(c) Does not arise in view of the above position.

(d) Does not arise, in view of the fact that there has been no case of cerebral malaria, reported in the Capital for the last three years.

### **Withdrawal of Foreign Troops from Afghanistan**

\*69. **SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:**

**SHRI J. S. PATIL:**

Will the Minister of **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has asserted that all foreign troops must be withdrawn from Afghanistan; and

(b) the progress made in this regard as a result of recent visit of India's Prime Minister to USSR?.

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) India has consistently advocated a negotiated political settlement of the Afghanistan issue on the basis of the withdrawal of foreign troops and full respect for the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-aligned status of Afghanistan. P.M. during her recent visit to the Soviet Union reiterated India's well known views of Afghanistan.

**गोरखपुर में कोच कारखाने की स्थापना**

\*70. श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पाण्डेय: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार उत्तर प्रदेश में एक कोच कारखाना