

this Ministry are greatly interested in accelerating the housing programme in this country to be able to sell their own product. We are sponsoring not only in our area but in other areas as well.

श्री हुकम चन्द कदवाय : मेरे प्रश्न का उत्तर नहीं आया। क्या इस्पात कारखानों के मालावा दूसरे कारखाने जो सरकार चला रही है वहाँ भी यह मुविधा दी जायेगी?

MR. SPEAKER: He has answered that. They are giving sites and they can construct by themselves if they want.

SHRI S. KUNDU: I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether it would be possible for the hon. Minister to bring a new outlook in the allotment of quarters in this public sector undertaking, i.e., whether the quarters could be allotted on the basis of need and not on the basis of status. In some of the places I have seen senior officers, whose families consist of just husband and wife, living in 30-roomed quarters, and they themselves complain that they have no time to maintain such big houses. I want to know whether it would be possible to change the criterion so as to make it need-based and not status-based.

Secondly, I want to know what is the percentage of workers in Rourkela Steel Plant who have been allotted quarters and how much time it will take to provide quarters to everybody there.

SHRI BIJU PATNAIK: As far as Rourkela is concerned, the percentage of employees provided with accommodation is 57.6, and in five years' time it will reach a figure of, I should say, about 80 per cent. Apart from this, as I have said earlier, housing facilities would be given by allotting plots. The problem is being attacked from both sides, and I think, it will reach the required minimum for housing everybody.

As regards some odd cases where officers have got big houses, etc., this is a bigger question; this is part of the totality of the economic question whether any family should have more than 2,000 sft. space or something of that order. That is engaging the attention of the Government at the moment and as and when a final decision is taken, it will be placed before the House.

PROF. R. K. AMIN: May I know from the hon. Minister whether, in the allocation of houses, he would take into account the work efficiency or the possibility of increasing the efficiency rather than the status or the need, because in the case of both these criteria we are not in a position to measure them relatively while work efficiency or the possibility of increasing work efficiency or some such criteria such as these, could be measured relatively.

SHRI BIJU PATNAIK: One of the major considerations for increasing efficiency is increased housing.

Earth Stations in Country

*63. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are Earth Stations in our country;

(b) if so, the number and their location; and

(c) the main features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). There are two standard communication Satellite Earth Stations located at Arvi, near Pune, and Dehradun. These have a 29 meter diameter fully steerable antenna, and

are operated by the Overseas Communications Service for handling international telecommunication traffic via INTELSAT, Indian Ocean Satellite.

Four satellite earth stations are experimental. Two of these are located at Ahmedabad and Delhi. The other two are mobile transportable type. These are used for conducting experiments with various satellites. These are operated by the Indian Space Research Organisation.

SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Is Government going to increase the number of stations?

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: There is no such proposal at the moment; nor is there any need for increasing the number of stations. The existing two stations are capable of meeting all our traffic.

DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister inform the House whether these stations will also be interested in earth-resources technique studies—that is, studies of the resources of the earth in our country?

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: At the moment these stations are concerned only with our telephone, telex and telegraph traffic; they are not concerned with any other activity.

AN HON. MEMBER: May I know whether the Government is satisfied with the effectiveness of the earth station near Pune?

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Yes, Sir, it is handling all the overseas telephones, tele-communications and telex traffic.

SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Are you going to utilise them for the transfer of printing work?

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: No, I don't think so.

Accounts of Vishwayatan Yogashram and Central Institute of Yoga, New Delhi

*64. **DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of grant-in-aid, financial assistance and other concessions to Vishwayatan Yogashram and Central Institute of Yoga in New Delhi and its branches located out of Delhi during the last three years and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government have ensured that these grants etc. have been utilised for the purpose for which these had been sanctioned;

(c) whether the accounts of the above institutions have been audited and if so whether a copy of the audit reports will be laid on the Table of the House for each of the said years; and

(d) whether Government propose to institute an enquiry on the functioning of the institutions?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री
(श्री राज नारायण) : (क) एक
विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया है।
[ग्रन्थालय में रखा गया। देखिए संख्या
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(ख) और (ग) क्लिनिकल अनुसंधान
एकक (योग) : योग के केन्द्रीय अनुसंधान
संस्थान तथा विश्वायतन योगाश्रम की गई
दिल्ली एवं कटरा बस्ती में स्थित शाखाओं
की वर्ष 1974-75 और 1975-76 के लिए
जो अनुदान मंजूर किए गए थे उन के लेखों
की लेखा-परीक्षा एक चार्टर्ड लेखाकार द्वारा
की गई है, जिन्होंने इस पर कुछ टिप्पणियां
की हैं। लेखों के लेखा परीक्षित विवरण
की प्रतियां सभा पटल पर रख दी गई हैं।
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