

दिल्ली महानगर परिषद से कोई खास प्रस्ताव या अनुरोध प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है।

(ग) और (घ). दिल्ली में जलपूर्ति व्यवस्था का स्थिर करने तथा उसे बढ़ाने के लिये अभी तक जो कदम उठाये गये हैं उनका एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है। [पुस्तकालय में रखा गया। देखिये संख्या LT--745/67]

#### Nurses

\*687. **Shri Jyotirmoy Basu:**  
**Shri Bhagaban Das:**  
**Shri K. Haldar:**  
**Shri C. K. Chakrapani:**  
**Shri K. Ramani:**  
**Shri E. K. Nayanar:**

Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of nurses in the country;

(b) the number of qualified nurses who went abroad during the last five years;

(c) whether it is a fact that nurses are migrating because of poor service conditions in the country;

(d) whether it is also a fact that service conditions of nurses in States are even worse as compared to services under Central and Military Departments; and

(e) if so, the steps Government propose to take to improve their conditions?

The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. S. Chandrasekhar): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information regarding the number of qualified nurses who have gone abroad during the last five years is not readily available.

(c) No, Sir. There is no evidence of this.

(d) The scales of pay of nurses vary from State to State. Different scales

of pay have been fixed by State Governments in the context of the circumstances prevailing in their States.

The Central scales of pay for nurses are generally higher than those prevalent in the States.

(e) The following steps have been taken to further improve the service conditions of nurses:

(i) On the recommendation of the Trained Nurses Association of India working hours for nurses have been reduced to 48 hours per week wherever possible.

(ii) Furnished hostel accommodation is being provided;

(iii) Several State Governments are considering improvement in the emoluments of the nursing staff.

#### Import of Oil

\*688. **Shri B. N. Shastri:** Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recent West Asia conflagration has in any way affected India's oil imports; and

(b) if so, the steps which Government have taken to meet the anticipated short supply of oil in the country?

The Minister of Planning, Petroleum and Chemicals and Social Welfare (Shri Asoka Mehta): (a) No, Sir, except to the extent that some product imports have had to be re-routed.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Loans given to Birla Group of Companies

\*689. **Shri George Fernandes:**  
**Shri J. H. Patel:**  
**Shri Madhu Limaye:**

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Study Group set up by the Industrial Development Bank of India, Reserve Bank of India has