दिल्ली महानगर परिषद से कोई खास प्रस्ताव या घनुरोध प्राप्त नहीं हुन्ना है।

(ग) भौर (घ) दिल्ली में जलपूर्ति व्यवस्था की स्थिर करने तथा उसे बढाने के लिये ग्रमी 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: Shrl 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 coun-

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

reported that half the advances made by the Industrial Development Bank of India last year have been given to firms owned or controlled by the Birla Group of Companies; and

(b) if so, the action proposed to be taken on the Report?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri K. C. Pant): (a) No, Sir. Neither did the Industrial Development Bank of India ever set up any Study Group for the purpose; nor is it correct that half the advances made by the Bank last year have been to the industrial concerns owned, controlled or managed by the Group of industrialists commonly known as the Birla Group.

(b) Does not arise.

## Assistance to Haryana State

\*690. Shri Abdul Ghani Dar: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government are favouring some deficit States by allowing a handsome aid to the tune of crores of rupees and not giving assistance to the newly born Haryana deficit State; and
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri K. C. Pant): (a) and (b). The reference is apparently to the grants-in-aid paid to certain States under Article 275 of the Constitution on the recommendations of the Finance Commission. The last Finance Commission did not recommend any grant-in-aid to the composite State of Punjab as the State had a revenue surplus after taking into account its share in Central taxes and duties. The position did not change consequent on the reorganisation of that State last year as the Dehejia Committee on the division of assets and liabilities of composite Punjab did not also estimate any revenue deficit for Haryana.

## Accommodation for Family Officers in Bombay

Written Answers

3221. Shri Ram Sewak Yadav: Shri George Fernandes: Shri S. M. Joshi: Shri Maharaj Singh Bharati: Shri Molahu Prasad: Shri Rabi Ray:

Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria for allotment of Government accommodation in Bombay to 'family officers';
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the Estate Office, in collusion with the allottees whose families are permanently stationed outside Bombay, hires out such accommodation to other Government Servants, who are not eligible for accommodation, and also to persons in the private sector for some financial consideration, which is shared among officials in the Estate Office and the allottee;
- (c) the number of such complaints received by his Ministry against the Estate Office, Bombay, during the calendar years 1961 to 1966;
- (d) the number of such complaints referred to the Special Police Establishment for investigation with results thereof and the action taken against the guilty officials;
- (e) whether it is a fact that under the pretext of sharing the accommodation, non-eligible employees of the C.P.W.D. are allotted quarters of absentee allottees and they indulge in undesirable activities which cause a great deal of harassment to bona fide tenants; and
- (f) the number of complaints regarding harassment by C.P.W.D. officials received during the calendar years 1961-66 and the action taken in these cases?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Iqbal Singh): (a) According to the provisions contained in 'he Allotment Rules, there is no distinction