

नगर, शाहदरा, रघुबीर नगर और पटपड़ तंज में चल रही है और चूंकि काफी पीपलू है, इसी लिये चल रही है।

SHRI SARAT KAR: The question was related to the opening of Ayurvedic or Homoeopathic Hospital. But the Minister said that Allopathic hospitals are in the proposal stage. It seems that those who are nearer the Church are farther from the God. Shahadara is going to have a big hospital. So, it is advisable to have Ayurvedic or Homoeopathic dispensaries in the rural areas. May I know from the Minister whether they will propose to have an Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Hospital which will help the poor people because the Allopathic hospital is still in the proposal stage?

श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : श्रीमन्, जहां तक आयुर्वेदिक और होम्योपैथिक अस्पताल खोलने की आवश्यकता का प्रश्न है, सभी तक हमारे पास ऐसी कोई डिमाण्ड नहीं आई है। अगर ऐसी कोई डिमाण्ड आयेशी तो सरकार जरूर उस पर विचार करेगी। लेकिन मैं माननीय सदस्यों की जानकारी के लिये बतलाना चाहता हूँ—दिल्ली प्रशासन के पास शाहदरा क्षेत्र में मेडिकल कालिज काम्पलक्स के रूप में 17 करोड़ रुपये की लागत का 500 बेड्स का अस्पताल स्थापित करने तथा दिली के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में 100-100 बेड्स के सात अस्पतालों की अंखला जिन की लागत लगभग 10 से 14 करोड़ रुपये होगी, खोलने की योजना है।

इस लिये, श्रीमन्, जहां तक जमाना-पार का सवाल है, सरकार निश्चित रूप से विचार कर रही है और जहां पर जितनी आवश्यकता है, उस के अनुसार अस्पताल खोलने की सम्भावना है।

श्री बी० पी० मंडल : सरकार की पालिसी होम्योपैथिक और आयुर्वेदिक के सम्बन्ध क्या यह है कि गरीबों के लिये होम्योपैथिक और आयुर्वेदिक डिस्पेंसरियों की दबाइयां फायदा करती हैं और ग्रामीणों के लिये, बी० आई० पी० के लिये, इन्फ्लूइंज मिनिस्टर्ज और एम० पी०, एलोपैथिक की दबाइयां फायदा करती हैं, इसी लिये उन के बास्ते एलोपैथिक की बड़ी डिस्पेंसरीज खोली जाती हैं? अगर होम्योपैथिक पद्धति अच्छी है तो फिर मिनिस्टर्ज और बी० आई० पी० के लिये क्यों नहीं खोली जाती हैं?

MR. SPEAKER: The question does not arise.

Increasing Strength at Diego Garcia

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*453. **DR. BALDEV PRAKASH :**

SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA:

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

(a) whether the reported news item that U.S.A. has increased its military strength at Diego Garcia has come to the notice of Government;

(b) whether 10,000 strong combatant troops with latest weapons have been garrisoned on the island; and

(c) whether Government have taken any action in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government does not have any information to confirm the report.

(c) It is the Government's policy that all foreign military bases in the Indian Ocean, including the base at Diego Garcia, should be eliminated. The Government is continually striving to achieve this end, both through bilateral and multilateral diplomacy.

डा० बलदेव प्रकाश : माननीय मंत्री जी ने पार्ट (सी) का जो जवाब दिया है, वह बिल्कुल मान-स्पेसिफिक है। मैंने पूछा था—

Whether Government have taken any action in the matter?

उन्होंने सरकार की नीति बतलाई है—वह कहते हैं।

"It is the Government's policy that all foreign military bases in the Indian Ocean, including the base at Diego Garcia, should be eliminated. The Government is continually striving to achieve this end, both through bilateral and multilateral diplomacy."

मेरा तो सवाल यह था कि क्या इस समाचार के आने के बाद सरकार ने कोई एक्शन लिया है ? यह नीति सरकार की पिछले बीस सालों से चल रही है कि कोई फौजी अड़ड़ा नहीं होना चाहिए और जो फौजी अड़ड़े हैं, वे खत्म हो जाने चाहिए लेकिन मजबूत बढ़ता गया ज्यों ज्यों दवाकी । हमारी यह नीति भी चल रही है और वहाँ पर फौजी अड़ड़े और सैनिक संगठन मजबूत होते जा रहे हैं और एक मिलियन सैनिकों, जिनके पास न्यूक्लियर मिसाइल है, से वहाँ पर उन्होंने अपने देश को स्ट्रेथन किया है और फिर एक जवाब यह दिया है कि यह कर्फ्यू नहीं हो सकता है कि यह हुआ भी या नहीं । मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या सरकार ने उन से पूछा है, और इस खबर के आने के बाद कोई स्पेसिफिक एक्शन सरकार ने लिया है, कोई प्रोटेस्ट दिया है या कोई इन्फार्मेशन लिया है ?

श्री समरेन्द्र कुन्दू : माननीय सदस्य को पता है कि जब कोई ऐसा मामला हमारे सामने आता है, तो हम उस बारे में बहुत ज़्यादा डिजिलेंट हैं और इस बारे में हर तरह का संवाद अखबारों में छपता है । स्पेसिफिक क्वेश्चन जो था वह यह था कि यहाँ 10 हजार काम्बेटेंट फोर्स है या नहीं ? उस बारे में हम ने जितना अनुसंधान किया, हम ने जितनी खबर ली, उस की वेबिस पर मैं यह कह सकता हूँ कि यह जो खबर है, उस को सपोर्ट करने के लिए हमारे पास इन्फार्मेशन नहीं है । हमारी जानकारी में यह है कि वहाँ पर कुछ थोड़े से टूप्स हैं और हम हम बार बार कह रहे हैं कि भारत सरकार यह चाहती है कि इन्डियन ओशन पूरा डी-मिलिटरीज्ड रहे कोई मिलिट्री प्रेजेन्स वहाँ पर न रहे । हम अपना इस नीति पर अभी भी खड़े हुए हैं । . . . (व्यवधान) . . .

DR. BALDEV PRAKASH: Mr. Speaker, Sir, he has replied that Government is continually striving to achieve this end both through bilateral and multilateral diplomacy. I want to ask a very specific question whether after this reported news item Government of India has taken bilateral action with the USA Government or any multilateral action calling a meeting of all the countries concerned, who are affected by Diego Garcia. Have these two specific actions been taken by the Government because now, in the US Budget there is a specific proposal to strengthen the base and it is a fact that they have strengthened the base, military has been added with the most

modern weapons? I want to know whether any specific bilateral action, any meeting or letters or protest note, has been taken or any multilateral action has been taken.

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: As I said, this is a continuing process.

MR. SPEAKER: The question is not of continuing process. He is specifically asking the question: Have you taken any bilateral or multilateral action after the report?

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: When President Carter came here, we had taken up.

DR. BALDEV PRAKASH: After that, this news item has come.

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: That is what I said. These sort of news items are being publishing from time to time. The news item which the hon. Member refers, as I said, is about the position of about 10,000 combatants. We checked up and our information is that it is not true. But on this matter, we are in touch. Whenever information comes, we get in touch with the USSR, the USA and other countries. Regarding the other matter—to keep this area completely as a zone of peace—we are committed to the United Nations Resolution and we do our best to see that the Indian Ocean is kept as a zone of peace.

SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA HALDER: I want to know, when our Prime Minister visited USA last time, whether he had a talk with President Carter or USA Government, protesting against the military installation in Diego Garcia and I want to know whether the hon. Minister has any information that Prime Minister had a talk with President Carter in this regard.

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: When the Prime Minister visited USA this matter was taken up with President Carter and we have conveyed our deep concern about the presence of military bases in Diego Garcia and Indian Ocean and as the hon. Member says, they have assured us that they are trying to freeze the situation.

SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: I want to draw the attention of the hon. Minister to a very important issue, because as you know, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, which is the bay island and as reported by some of the Bengali papers and also....

MR. SPEAKER: You are going from Diego Garcia to the Andamans.

SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: I am coming to that point. Some sort of signalling is frequently being received by some vessels and it is being received by some naval authorities, etc. In view of the fact that the present question about Diego Garcia very much involves the interest of our nation, I want to know whether the Government is aware of that and I want the hon. Minister to say categorically whether there is any link between Diego Garcia and the bay islands and whether some sort of spying activities are going on.

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: About the specific question as to whether there are spying activities going on, it can be presumed that when the presence of some sort of base is there and military presence is there, each country would be trying to find out information about other countries. This can be easily presumed. As I said, we are very much alert and alive to the situation.

SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN: In the course of his replies, he has made a statement. I would request

him either to confirm it or correct it if it is wrong. He said that the Prime Minister had taken up the matter with the US President and that we expressed our concern. That is alright. But he has also told—I heard him say so—that they assured us to freeze the military bases. Is it right? If it is so, I would say, it is an achievement. Did he make this statement seriously or was it a mistake?

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: I know what is in the mind of Mr. Chavan. The position is this. Earlier Mr. Carter had mentioned that they wanted to demilitarise. But of late, we find that their decision is that they want to freeze the position.

SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN: At what level?

SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU: At the level of construction, which perhaps, what they were asked to construct in 1975.

(Interruptions)**

MR. SPEAKER: Don't record.

Primequine Drug for Malaria Proved Fatal

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*454. **SHRI MOHINDER SINGH SAYIAN WALA:**

SHRI D. D. DESAI:

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

(a) whether it has been clinically tested and proved that 'primequine' a drug for malaria has been fatal in most of the cases and in other cases it has shown serious side effects;

(b) if so, whether its prescription and administration is being given second thoughts; and

(c) if not, Government's reaction in the matter?