

[22 December, 1999]

RAJYA SABHA

Defects in the Engines of Sukhoi-30

†2170. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether serious defects have been detected in the engines of the consignment of Sukhoi-30 imported from Russia; if so, whether the same have been sent to Russia for replacement; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the engines of already imported Sukhoi aircrafts are not in conformity with the specifications listed in Air Staff Qualitative Requirement?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

Sainik Schools

†2171. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sainik schools functioning in the country, indicating the number of students studying in those schools;

(b) the number of army schools in Rajasthan;

(c) whether Government propose to increase the number of Sainik schools and provide more facilities in Rajasthan in order to encourage soldiering propensity due to large number of army personnel in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) There are 18 Sainik Schools in the country. The statewise location and number of students is in the enclosed statement (*see below*).

(b) In Rajasthan, there are two Military Schools, one each at Dholpur and Ajmer.

(c) No proposal for additional Sainik School has been received from the State Government of Rajasthan.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Details of Sainik School

Sl. No.	Name of the School	State	No. of Boarders in the school
1.	Amaravathinagar	Tamil Nadu	599
2.	Balachadi	Gujarat	575

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.