

किया गया है। यह काफी बड़ी रेलवे कालोनी है। वहां बहुत दिनों से एक छोटे अस्पताल की, कम से कम 10 बिस्तर के अस्पताल की व्यवस्था करने की मांग की जा रही है, लेकिन उसकी भी व्यवस्था नहीं की गई है, यद्यपि इस संबंध में आश्वासन बहुत बार दिये जा चुके हैं। यह इतनी बड़ी कालोनी है, लेकिन वहां पर एक कम्युनिटी हाल नहीं है। बहुत दिनों से इसकी मांग की जा रही है कम से कम विवाह-शादियों के कार्यक्रमों के लिए एक कम्युनिटी हाल होना चाहिए, उसकी भी कोई सुवार्दी नहीं होती है। कम्युनिटी हाल के साथ साथ आज के पढ़े-लिखे नवजवान पुस्तकालय की मांग करते हैं। उस मांग की तरफ भी आज तक कोई ध्यान नहीं दिया गया है। सबसे विचित्र बात यह है कि बड़ोदा हाउस जहां पर उत्तर रेलवे के कर्मचारी काम करते हैं वहां से दिल्ली रेलवे स्टेशन जाने के लिए कुल बसों की व्यवस्था करने की मांग की गई थी, उसकी तरफ भी कोई ध्यान नहीं दिया गया है। यहां पर इतनी भीड़ लग जाती है कि बसों पर चढ़ना बहुत कठिन हो जाता है। लगभग तीन हजार कर्मचारी वहां से निकलते हैं। इस प्रकार की अव्यवस्था से उनकी अत्यन्त कष्ट होता है। इससे भी विचित्र बात यह है कि इन कालोनी में पानी की निकासी के लिए जो नाला है वह पानी से भर जाता है और उसका पानी सड़कों पर फैल जाता है। गर्मे नाले के पानी से दुर्गन्ध आती है और मच्छर पैदा होते हैं। यह मांग की गई थी कि इस नाले को ढक दिया जाये, लेकिन आज तक यह मांग भी नहीं मानी गई है। इसके अलावा जैसा होता है, इस कालोनी के पास भी बहुत बड़ी संख्या में झुग्गी झोपड़ियां बस गई हैं। उनकी माफ रखने की कोई व्यवस्था नहीं की गई है। इस प्रकार की इतनी बड़ी रेलवे कर्मचारियों

की कालोनी और इतना महत्वपूर्ण रेलवे मंत्रालय, उसकी एक बड़ी कालोनी की यह दुर्दशा वास्तव में रेलवे विभाग के लिए लज्जाजनक चीज है। मैं आपके माध्यम से रेलवे मंत्री जी से यह निवेदन करना चाहूंगा कि वे इस कालोनी को समस्याओं की ओर शीघ्र से शीघ्र ध्यान देने को कृपा करें।

REFERENCE TO THE NEED TO TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES FOR PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING. IN AND SMUGGLING OF ... NARCOTICS

SHRI M. M. JACOB (Kerala):
Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Government, through you, to the evil effects arising out of the increased use of narcotic drugs by the youth of our country. It is mainly due to the lack of deterrent punishment that Indian students and workers are becoming more and more prone to drug abuse and addiction and drug trafficking, and the country has lately become the centre of drug trafficking. Smuggling of narcotic drugs to and from India has become rampant in recent years. It is essential to take effective measures by providing deterrent punishment by law and also by taking effective steps to prevent trafficking and smuggling of narcotic drugs. The influx of drugs like heroin and morphine smuggled to our country from Burma through Manipur has been brought out in an article which appeared in *The Week* dated July 1-7, 1984. It says:—

"...This startling fact about the predicament of the Manipuri youth was revealed by two Manipuri psychiatrists at the annual conference of the Indian Psychiatric Association at Ranchi last February. SG Sharma and R.C. Luwang from the Regional Medical College, Imphal, had found in a study of 300

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patients that 23 out of every 100
patients were drug addicts.

A more interesting part of the drug report stated that 97 per cent of the drug addicts were between 15 and 25 years of age. Further, about 33.7 per cent of the addicts hailed from families with a monthly income of over Rs. 2,000.

If proliferation of narcotics is any indication of the health of a society, Manipur is slowly becoming sick."

Sir, I would also call the attention of the Government to a very important news item which appeared in The Times published from London, dated May 8, 1984. Sir, I quote a few lines here:—

"Quite suddenly, India has become the drug smuggling centre of the world. The Indian connection now supplies high-grade heroin to drug dealers in London, in Europe—via Frankfurt—and in the United States, in ever-increasing quantities.

'Very few flights now leave Delhi for London or Frankfurt without some narcotics on board' Mr. John King, the US Drug Enforcement Administration attache in Delhi, said. 'India has become a heroin smuggler's dream.' "

Thailand and Hongkong and other countries have taken very serious action, even by utilising their army, to prevent drug trafficking. So, they have found India as a safe place. Now I draw the attention of the Government to this because through smuggling operations, even terrorists carry on with their operations of bringing in arms and ammunition as we have recently found in the Golden Temple complex. So, I would request the Government, through you, to take effective measures to prevent this and also to enforce deterrent punishment. At present, giving bail is very easy for any crime, and also punishment

is only imprisonment for three years. This has to be dealt with firmly in order to save the country's youth.

REFERENCE TO THE REPORTED SPATE OF AIR FORCE PLANE ACCIDENTS IN RECENT TIMES AND DEMAND FOR CADRE RE- VIEW OF DEFENCE SERVICES

SHRI SURESH KALMADI (Maharashtra): Sir, I bring to your notice a matter of grave national concern, that being the spate of Air Force accidents in recent times. In the last one week, there have been three air crashes. As you all know, day before yesterday, a helicopter crashed near Nahan in Himachal Pradesh killing the pilot and the co-pilot. The pilot's name is Flying Officer Chahal. Digvijay Singh was the other officer. Very junior officers. There, a lot of questions remain unanswered. How did the helicopter take off in bad weather? Who authorized the flight? How was it done? Bhandari was also killed in the crash aboard. Did the pilots have the clearance to fly the VIPs? As far as my knowledge goes, they did not have the criteria to fly in bad weather or to carry a VIP. My question is: who authorised the flight? The other two crashes which took place within the week were, one aircraft near Kurukshetra and another in the western sector. All this has come in the press. In the last four years, we have lost over 150 aircraft by crashes. It is a matter of grave concern. We have lost more aircraft in peace than we have lost in the 1965 and 1971 wars. Sir, Air Marshal LaFontaine Committee went into the causes of the air crashes, a committee appointed by the Government. But, unfortunately, the report has not been made public; it has been kept secret. I have been demanding many times that this must be placed on the Table of the House. It has been kept secret even from the pilots. That is very, very unfortunate. I demand