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Indian Defence Personnel in Pakistani jails .

518. SHRIMATI VIJAYA RAJE SCINDIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the External Affairs Minister during his visit to Pakistan in June, 1981, has discussed with the Government of Pakistan the issue of forty Indian Defence personnel who are in Pakistani jails; and
- (b) if so, what are the details thereof and with what result?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The issue of Indian Defence personnel reported to be in Pakistani jails was once again taken up with the Government of Pakistan during the Foreign Minister's visit to Islamabad in June, 1981. The Government of Pakistan reiterated its position that there were no such Defence personnel in Pakistan.

British aid for integrated health care projects

519. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have asked for further British aid for integrated health care projects in the country;
- (b) if so, what are the details thereof
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the area development programme is being fully implemented in the districts of Orissa; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) No.

- -- (b) Question does not arise.
 - (c) Yes.
- (d) The Government have evolved a scheme for strengthening Health and Family Welfare Services in five selected districts of Orissa viz., Cuttack, Ganjam, Phulbani, Puri and Kalahandi with partial assistance from UK at a total project cost of Rs. 29.54 crores approximately. The Project is designed to increase and strengthen in about five years, facilities and manpower for delivery of Health and Family Welfare services, in an integrated manner to reach a level that, over a longer period will ultimately be reached in the entire country. The Project includes Information, Education and Communication activities, in. cluding Opinion Leaders Camps, mass media activities, management training for staff, Monitoring and Evaluation and innovative activities.

Family Planning Programme

520. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have achieved any progress in stabilising the population in India through the Family Planning programme; and
- (b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) and (b) The stabilisation of the population in the country would be achieved only when