

Manufacturing units for orthopedic aid

†2049. SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE:

SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to set up more manufacturing units for making orthopedic aid like wheel chair, etc;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to assure the manufacturing of modern orthopedic aids and equipments in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI D. NAPOLEON): (a) and (b) There is no proposal to establish new manufacturing units for making orthopedic aids by the Government.

(c) The Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), a Government of India undertaking and having ISO 9001:2000 certification, is manufacturing orthopedic aids & equipments conforming to the BIS standards.

Vacant posts of Chairman/Vice Chairman of NCSK and NCSC

†2050. SHRI NARAYAN SINGH KESARI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the term of Chairman, Vice Chairman and members of National Commission for Safai Karamchris and National Commission for Scheduled Castes has ended;
- (b) if so, the date from which these posts are lying vacant in both the Commissions;
- (c) the reasons for delay in constituting the same;
- (d) the reasons for ignoring the representatives of scheduled castes; and
- (e) by when both the commissions will be constituted?

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