

Publication of 'Employment News'

250. SHRI MAHENDRA BAHADUR SINGH : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently introduced a weekly bulletin 'Employment News' for the benefit of the unemployed and employed persons who seek better job opportunities;

(b) if so, what is the circulation of the paper;

(c) whether Government propose to publish advertisements from State Public Service Commissions in the paper; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIK SINHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The circulation is about 2.56 lakh copies.

(c) A few State Public Service Commissions are already sending their advertisements for publication in 'Employment News'.

(d) Does not arise.

Indian Doctors in U.S.A. and U.K.

251. SHRI SAWAISINGH SISODIA :

SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL :

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) what is the present number of Indian doctors in the U.S.A. and U.K.; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to bring these doctors back to India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SAN. KAR GHOSE) : (a) No exact figures relating to the number of Indian doctors in the U.S.A. and U.K. are available.

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), however, maintains an Indians Abroad Section of the National Register for Scientific and Technical Personnel of India for enrolment of Indian Scientists, doctors, etc. abroad. The Registration is voluntary. The number registered with the National Register are 440 Indian

doctors in U.S.A. and 1,214 in U. K. as on 30-6-1976.

(b) The Government of India have been taking various steps from time to time to facilitate the return of Indian Scientists, Engineers, Medical Personnel etc. from abroad. A list of measures taken is enclosed.

Statement

Measures taken by Government to facilitate return of Indian Scientific and Technical Personnel to India.

1. A special section—"Indians Abroad" section—of the National Register is maintained for enrolment of Indian Scientists and Technologists abroad and for the circulation of their particulars in the form of classified Directories to all Ministries, Departments of the Government of India, State Government, Union and State Public Service Commissions, Public Sector Industries and large private sector establishments. Particulars of such personnel are also published in the monthly "Technical Manpower" Bulletin (CSIR) which is distributed free to about 2,500 organisations all over India.

2. The Union Public Service Commission and some of the State Public Service Commissions have agreed to treat Indian Scientific and Technical Personnel whose particulars are in the Indians Abroad section of the National Register, as 'Personal Contact' candidates for posts advertised by them.

3. The Scientists Pool, operated by CSIR provides temporary placement for well-qualified Indian Scientific and Technical personnel returning from abroad without an assured job.

4. Supernumerary posts can be created in approved scientific institutions to which temporary appointments can be made quickly from among the scientists working and studying abroad.

5. A "Package Scheme" has been approved to attract Indian scientists, technologists and engineers working in production units abroad to come back and start their own industries in this country, particularly in spheres where they may have acquired skills in production technology.