

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN): (a) The laboratory technicians working in the Medical Laboratory Technology Department of the Women's Polytechnic, Delhi, are not delivering theory lectures. However, they assist the Head of the Department and the Instructor in conducting practical experiments. After the Head of the Department and the Instructor have explained the basic theory of the subject, the details of the techniques adopted in the Laboratory are explained by the technicians.

(b) Since the services of Medical Laboratory Technicians are normally required for maintenance and upkeep of Laboratory equipment and apparatus, they are not treated as vacation staff. They are, however, entitled to earned leave as other non-vacation staff. This matter is however under consideration.

D.T.C. Bus Service for rural areas

1010. SHRI KAMESHWAR SINGH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the progress achieved during the last three months in effecting improvement in the working of Bawana Depot of D.T.C., the number of new buses provided to this depot and the expansion of the maintenance/repair facilities in that depot;

(b) by when Government propose to operate fast moving feeder services from the rural areas to the outer periphery of the city;

(c) whether it is a fact that DTC bus service for the rural areas of Narela, Lanipur Border, Alipur and Bawana and especially from Lampur Border has further deteriorated during the last three months and Government employees are required to spend two to three hours in coming over to Delhi?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Construction of the depot building has been completed. The workshop is being equipped progressively with machinery to create the necessary repair and maintenance facilities for buses. No new bus has been

provided to this depot during the last three months.

(b) Designing of new routes for rural areas is part of the programme formulated by DTC for its entire operational area in Delhi- The programme is proposed to be implemented on a phased basis, subject to availability of additional buses.

(c) It is not correct that Government employees residing in the rural areas of Delhi have to spend two to three hours to get a bus to reach their places of work. However, there have been some inadequacies in the services to these areas on account of shortage of essential spares and tyres. Special efforts are being made to procure the required items, to repair the defective vehicles and put them back on the road.

Mode of recruitment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates in Safdarjang Hospital, New Delhi

1011. SHRI N. H. KUMBHARE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the mode of recruitment for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates in Safdarjang Hospital, New Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that the 40 point roster is being maintained while making recruitment in the said hospital; if not the reasons therefor; and

(c) if the answer to para (b) above be in the affirmative, what is the number of posts category-wise and class-wise filled in by the members of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI A. K. KISKUJ):

(a) The mode of recruitment followed in Safdarjang Hospital for recruitment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates is the same as in other Government offices *i.e.* through employment exchange, Central employment exchange, open advertisement etc.

(b) Yes, 40 point roster is being maintained.

(c) The information is given in the attached statement.