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Taking over of Regional Engineering College, Tiruehirapalli

486. SHRI THILLAI VILLALAN : SHRI S. SIVAPRAKASAM : Will the Minister of EDUCATION,

SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to take over the administration of the Regional Engineering College at Tiruchirappalli; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASSAN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Colour of Nirodh

487. SHRI PAPI REDDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any proposals to change the colour of 'Nirodh' as suggested by experts to improve its eye appeal; and

(b) if so, which colour has been selected?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI KON-DAJI BASAPPA): (a) No.

(b) The question does not arise.

Delhi University Medical College Plan

488. SHRIMATI SAVITA BE HEN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleas ed to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Executive Council of Delhi University has expressed its disapproval of the Government's proposal to wind up the Delhi University Medical College Plan, and to start a new college affiliated to Nehru University in South Delhi; and

(b) if so, what is the precise proposal of Government in this regard and Government's reaction to Executive Council's view in this regard? THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (PROF. A. K. KISKU): (a) It is not correct that the Government had a proposal to wind up the Delhi University Medical College Plan. However, the Academic Council hss passed a resolution stating that the University Medical College should continue to be run under the auspices of the Delhi University and all possible steps should be taken to expedite the construction of hospitaLcum-medical college complex at Shahdra.

(b) The medical college was opened in the campus of the Delhi University in 1971 with the intention of locating it later at Shahdra, utilising the facilities of a Hospital proposed to be constructed at that place. It has not yet been possible to get land in a single compact block to locate the medical college-CHmhospital complex. Meanwhile, the first batches of students have to be given clinical training from the current year. In the interests of medical education of the students, other possiblititieB of expediting the setting up of a college are under examination. The views expressed by the Executive Council of the Delhi University would be taken into consideration before a final decision is taken.

Delhi Transport Corporation

489. MISS SAROI PURUSHOTTAM KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a news item published in the Indian Express dated the 4th July, 1973 to the effect that out of 18,000 trips the DTC buses miss about 5,000 to 6,000 trips every day; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that lack of maintenance facilities inadequate space to park all the fleet and leakge of revenues are the major factors contributing to the failure of bus-service in the Capital?