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a trigger of strokes. But these medicines are still being sold in Indian markets and it is extremely agonizing to note that the hazardous sideeffects of these medicines are not properly publicized in the literatures in a bold manner. I would request the Government to instruct the relevant companies to withdraw these medicines forthwith from circulation and tighten the regulatory system for licensing and monitoring of drugs so that the drug manufacturers are legally compelled to make public any information which may not be favourable to their products in so far as marketability of those are concerned. It also must be mandatory for doctors and health professionals to inform the authorities of any adverse side effects of the drugs on their pattern so that such drugs could be immediately pulled out of the market. The existing surveillance procedure of drug control mechanism is not adequate and requires immediate augmentation to save larger number of citizens of the country from drug induced health hazards which has assumed a dreaded proportion in many of the developing countries. Thank you. Sir.

SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY (West Bengal): Sir, I associate myself with this Special Mention.

Concern over the misconduct of Soldiers while travelling in trains in the Country

SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI (Madhya Pradesh): Sir, they glittered in a special version of glory on parade. Out there on the "front", they have always done the nation proud. That is what makes it so painful, so difficult to believe. Members of that distinguished fraternity throwing people out of a railway carriage which they wanted for themselves. Even if they were unaware of another train thundering down the adjacent track, what those *jawans* did defies description. Their disgraceful misconduct, it is true, does not obliterate the more shining facets of our soldiers' showing. Yet the converse is equally true.

It would now be vital that senior officers accept the reality that something is wrong; the system is breaking down. No longer can they afford to try and downplay such incidents by pointing to a handful of men from a onemillion-strong organisation being involved in unsavoury events that are blown out of proportion by sensation-seeking media. They have to understand

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that even a tiny leak will eventually succeed in draining a reservoir; in the present context, the reservoir of admiration, goodwill and support that has added to the weight of the punch the soldier throws.

This was by no means a rare incident. Soldiers objecting, often violently, to passengers taking up position in unreserved railway carriages is common. What many of them do not appreciate is that civilians too have pressing reasons to travel, and that the discomfort (to put it mildly) resulting from too many ticket-holders and limited accommodation is across the board. Trying to muscle their way to stretch their legs is not acceptable. This is the message that the "bras" must send out. Soldiers on leave must be as disciplined as when they are on parade.

Concern over the unbearable tension due to examination pressure amongst students in the Country

डा. कुमकुम राय (बिहार) : माननीय उपसभापति जी, देश में लगभग डेढ-दो करोड़ छात्र-छात्राएं सेकेण्डरी एंव एक करोड सीनियर सेकेंडरी स्तर परीक्षा में हर साल शामिल होते हैं। इधर कुछ वर्षों से परीक्षा के समय छात्रों की आत्महत्या की खबरें मिलने लगी हैं। कारण परीक्षा का तनाव। छात्र तो छात्र अभिभावक भी परीक्षा के तनाव से जुझ रहे हैं। सिर्फ दिल्ली में अब तक तनाव के कारण लगभग दस छात्र-छात्राओं द्वारा आत्महत्या करने और 300 से भी ज्यादा बच्चों द्वारा खुदकूशी की कोशिश करने की खबरें आ चूकी है। मनचाहे कैरियर के साथ ही अच्छे संस्थानों में प्रवेशार्थ काफी ऊंचे प्रतिशत के अंक अपेक्षित होते हैं। साथ ही अपने बच्चों की क्षमता को परखे बिना उनमें शीर्षस्थ रहने का दबाव कुछ माता-पिता भी बनाते हैं। मनोवैज्ञानिकों का यह निष्कर्ष सही है कि चूंकि अभिभावकों की आकांक्षा का स्तर बहुत ऊंचा रहता है, इसीलिए वे अपने बच्चों पर बेहतर करने का हर समय दबाव बनाए रखते हैं। यही सघन दबाव बच्चों में जटिल तनाव के मुख्य कारण है। माता-पिता का कर्तव्य सिर्फ परवरिश तक सीमित नहीं, बल्कि बच्चों को अच्छे-बुरे का ज्ञान कराने तथा हर परिस्थिति का मुकाबला करने का हौसला बढाने का भी है। यह सच है कि बदलते दौर में पढाई और समय पर पाठयक्रम पूरा करने का दबाव बढ रहा है। कैरियर की चिंता माता-पिता को भी रहती है, किंतू यदि चिंता स्तर जान ही दे देने की विकृत मानसिकता बनाने लगे जो यह नई सामाजिक समस्या बनती जा रही...। उपसभापति महोदय, इसके लिए परीक्षा प्रणाली में सुधार अपेक्षित है। शिक्षा संस्थानों में प्रवेशार्थ मारामारी की स्थिति का भी हमें विकल्प खोजना होगा। अतः मेरा सरकार से अनुरोध है कि वह शिक्षा-शास्त्रियों की एक उच्चस्तरीय समिति बनाकर इसका समाधान करे। छात्रों के दृष्टिकोण पर कैरियर की एकांगिकता हावी नहीं होनी चाहिए।

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