

cakes and one has advertised that their brand of soap is "free from animal fat".

(b) Government are of the view that it will not serve any useful purpose to insist on the manufacturers to indicate on the wrappers that the soaps contain animal fat as those that do not wish to use such soaps have a choice and can buy the branches of toilet soaps made of vegetable oils only and sold with appropriate makings and synthetic detergent's free of animal fat.]

STENOGRAPHERS' PAY SCALES

*202. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD :
SHRI D. THENGARI :
SHRI JAGAT NARAIN :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the pay-scales of the stenographers in Central Government offices have recently been raised and revised while the ban on the increase in the salaries of Central Government employees in general has been further extended;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(c) whether Government propose to give proportionate increases in the pay scales of other Central Government employees with effect from the date on which the stenographers' pay scales have been raised; if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The basic decisions to revise the scales of pay of some of the grades of the Stenographers' Services were taken prior to the imposition of the ban on upward revision of pay scales in August 1966. But the implementation of the decisions was held in abeyance pending consideration of certain other issues which arose in the meanwhile. The revision of scales notified in July, 1969 in relaxation of the ban thus sought to give effect to the decisions taken earlier with certain modifications.

(c) No, Sir, as Government have since announced its decision to appoint a new Pay Commission to review the pay structure and other conditions of service of Central Government employees.

PRODUCTION OF SULPHUR AND LUBE STOCKS IN MADRAS REFINERY

*203. SHRI BABUBHAI M. CHINAI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madras Refineries propose to turn out sulphur and lube stocks; and

(b) if so, what is the quantity and the value of production per day?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI D. R. CHAVAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated quantities for production of sulphur and lube stocks are 44 tonnes and 550 tonnes per day. It is intended to sell these two products at a cost not less than those incurred if imported.

NEW CREDIT FACILITIES IN THE RURAL AREAS BY NATIONALISED BANKS

*204. SARDAR HARCHARAN SINGH DUGAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether any new facilities have been provided by the recently nationalised banks, in the rural areas for the benefit of the agriculturists/industrialists;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to extend more credit facilities through those banks in the near future and if so, details of the measures contemplated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) and (b) Details of the new facilities which have been provided by the recently nationalised banks in the rural areas for the benefit of agriculture and small-scale industry are indicated in the statement laid on the Table of the Sabha, [See Appendix LXX, Annexure No. 21.]

(c) It is the policy of Government to get the nationalised banks to extend more credit facilities particularly to the neglected sectors of economy such as small farmers, retail traders, transport operators, students and self-employed persons. A statement giving the details

of schemes of this type is laid on the Table of the Sabha. A working group has submitted a report suggesting guarantee scheme for loans given by banks in these relatively neglected sectors. This is under active consideration of Government.

हिन्दुओं, मुसलमानों और ईसाइयों में परिवार नियोजन

*205. श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : क्या स्वास्थ्य तथा परिवार नियोजन और निर्माण, आवास और नगर विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) परिवार नियोजन में भाग लेने वालों में हिन्दू, मुसलमान, ईसाई एवं अन्य समुदायों के व्यक्तियों की संख्या कितनी है;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने विभिन्न समुदायों के व्यक्तियों की संख्या में कमी या वृद्धि होने के कारणों का पता लगाने हेतु पिछली जनगणना के आंकड़ों का विश्लेषण किया है और क्या सरकार ऐसे विश्लेषण का निष्कर्ष सभा पटल पर रखेगी; और

(ग) क्या सरकार इस बात को सुनिश्चित करने के लिए कोई कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है कि भारत में विभिन्न समुदायों में वर्तमान अनुपात बना रहे ?

†[FAMILY PLANNING AMONGST HINDUS
MUSLIMS AND CHRISTIANS]

*205. SHRI J. P. YADAV : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Hindus, Muslims, Christians; and persons belonging to other communities participating in the family planning programme;

(b) whether Government have analysed the figures of the last census to find out the causes of increase or decrease in the number of persons belonging to various communities and would place the results of such analysis on the Table of the House; and

(c) whether Government propose to adopt any measures to ensure that the present proportion among the various communities in India is maintained ?]

स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार नियोजन तथा निर्माण आवास और नगर विकास राज्य मंत्री (डा० एस० चन्द्रशेखर) :

(क) अखिल भारतीय स्तर पर इस कार्यक्रम की अपनाने वालों का समुदायवार हिसाब नहीं रखा जाता है। तथापि अनेक स्थानीय अध्ययनों द्वारा उपलब्ध सूचना से पता चलता है कि परिवार नियोजन की सेवाएं सभी समुदायों के द्वारा लगभग अपनी जनसंख्या के अनुपात में ही उपयोग की जा रही हैं।

(ख) विभिन्न समुदायों की जनसंख्या में वृद्धि या कमी के कारणों का पता लगाने के लिए पिछली जनगणना के आंकड़ों का कोई अध्ययन नहीं किया गया है।

(ग) ऐसे कदम उठाने का कोई विचार नहीं है। भारत में परिवार नियोजन आन्दोलन सभी समुदायों पर लागू है और सेवाएं सभी के लिए उपलब्ध हैं और इनका सभी समुदायों द्वारा उपयोग किया जाता है। इसलिए इस कार्यक्रम से भारत में विभिन्न समुदायों की जनसंख्या में कोई विशेष अन्तर आने की आशा नहीं है।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR) : (a) Community-wise statistics regarding acceptance of the Programme on an all-India basis is not maintained. Information available from several localized studies, however, shows that Family Planning services are being availed of by members of all communities more or less in proportion to their population.

(b) No study has been made of the figures of various communities for the last census to find out causes of increase or decrease in their population.

(c) No such measures are contemplated. Since the Family Planning Movement in India is applicable and