

## Vehicles

II. No of vehicles to be supplied by the UNICEF to the District Family Planning Officers (for supervision purposes)

63

(c) 1,444 vehicles

## ANNUAL INCREMENTS OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

133. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the extent to which the value of the annual increments granted to class IV, III and II Central Government employees at different stages has been reduced as a result of the rise in prices since 1959, when the Second Pay Commission report was submitted.

(b) whether Government propose to take steps to revise and raise the annual increments and

(c) whether to consider this and other aspects of pay and allowances of the Central Government employees, Government propose to appoint a Third Pay Commission, if so, when, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P C SETHI) : (a) In assessing the impact of rise in the cost of living, account has to be taken of the total emoluments of an employee, of which the increments periodically drawn are only a part. Government have endeavoured to neutralise to a substantial extent the impact of rise in the cost of living through successive increases in rates of dearness allowance of the employees in the lower and middle ranges

(b) No, Madam.

(c) No, Madam, having regard among other factors, to the overall needs of the national economy

## AID FROM THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

134 SHRI Y ADINARAYANA REDDY

SHRI M SRINIVASA REDDY.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a loan of 38.50 crore Dollars has recently been

recommended for India by the Agency for International Development of USA, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P C SETHI) : (a) and (b) At the meeting of the Aid India Consortium held in Paris on May 22-23, 1969 the U S delegate indicated that the U S Administration had proposed \$385 million for India to the US Congress in the US foreign aid bill for US fiscal year 1970. Actual allocation will, however, depend on funds finally appropriated by the Congress

## AID FROM THE U K

135. SHRI M SRINIVASA REDDY:  
SHRI Y ADINARAYANA REDDY

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Great Britain has recently agreed to give an aid of 38 million Pounds to India for 1969-70; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P C SETHI) : (a) and (b) Yes, Madam The U K Government has pledged an amount of £38 million (Rs. 68.4 crores) as aid to India for 1969-70 to cover debt relief, imports of a wide variety of maintenance goods and capital goods and for financing projects. The aid indicated will be in the form of interest-free loans repayable over a period of 25 years inclusive of a grace period of 7 years. Detailed arrangements are under discussion with the U K. Government, except in respect of £7.5 million (Rs. 13.5 crores) as debt relief for which an agreement has already been signed.

## SHORTAGE OF DOCTORS IN RURAL AREAS

136 SARDAR HARCHARAN SINGH DUGAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that Doctors are generally unwilling to go to villages with the result that most of the hospitals/dispensaries in the rural areas are understaffed and are not running properly;

(b) whether the Government propose to make it compulsory for the fresh Doctors coming out of Medical Colleges to serve for a specified period in the rural areas; and

(c) if so, the details of the decision taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. S CHANDRASEKHAR) :

(a) Yes, doctors are generally reluctant for posting in rural areas. However, out of 4,919 Primary Health Centres functioning there were only 352 such centres without doctors on the 31-3-1969.

(b) and (c) While there is no proposal to introduce a compulsory service for the doctors in rural areas, the Third Conference of Deans and Principals of Medical Colleges recommended that in the internship programme, one year's work for Maternity and Child Health and Family Planning in a rural centre should be compulsory, and if necessary, the total period of internship could be increased by six months or a year.

This recommendation is under consideration in consultation with the Medical Council of India and the State Governments.

#### NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION SCHEME

137. SARDAR HARCHARAN SINGH DUGAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a survey has been conducted under the National Capital Region Scheme to develop certain towns near to the Capital of the country;

(b) if so, the findings of the survey and decision taken as a result thereof; and

(c) the details of the programme to develop cities as a result of the survey and how far it will help in removing residential and other accommodation problems of Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI B. S. MURTHY) : (a)

and (b) The Town and Country Planning Organisation have conducted preliminary studies of the Region, which indicate that there is good scope for development of towns like Meerut, Ghaziabad, Hapur, Khurja and Modinagar in Uttar Pradesh, Faridabad, Ballabgarh, Gurgaon, Bahadurgarh, Sonapat, Rohtak and Panipat in Haryana, and Alwar in Rajasthan. The development of these towns is the responsibility of the State Governments concerned.

(c) The details are to be worked out by the State Governments.

#### 'CURRENCY CRISIS' IN EUROPE

138. SARDAR HARCHARAN SINGH DUGAL : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the 'Currency Crisis' prevailing since May 1969, in various European countries;

(b) if so, whether any study has been made by Government of the 'Currency Crisis';

(c) whether this 'Currency Crisis' has made any impact on the value of the Indian currency and on Indian trade, and, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to safeguard Indian interests in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) European exchange markets faced a crisis resulting in large movements of funds from Sterling and other European currencies into Deutsche Mark towards the end of April and the beginning of May, 1969. The exchange markets are more or less settled now.

(b) Yes, Madam.

(c) The crisis did not affect the value of the Indian Rupee and had no significant effect on India's economy and trade.

(d) Does not arise.

#### CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANDHRA PRADESH CYCLONE-AFFECTED AREAS

139. SHRI Y. ADINARAYANA REDDY : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have sent a team of officers to estimate the loss due to the recent cyclone in Andhra Pradesh;