

(iv) Studies on sales potential of various areas by correlating the actual sales with various economic and demographic factors, and preparation of indices of development and efficiency of the sales organisation by making use of the available operational statistics, for the use of Development Wing of the L.I.C.

LONG-TERM TERM ASSURANCE POLICIES

462. SHRI A. P. CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Indians staying in USA and UK are covered heavily by long-term Term Assurance during their stay there, with private insurers, as they could not have the same in Life Insurance Corporation;

(b) if so, whether Government are losing heavy Foreign Exchange by not introducing the long-term Term Assurance;

(c) whether it is a fact that foreigners staying in India feel shy of being insured in India for want of suitable schemes as they have in their own country; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that in this case the foreigners are being paid foreign currency to continue their insurance policies which is affecting our foreign exchange position?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI): (a) Information is not available.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government are not aware whether the foreigners are averse to insuring with the LIC; there is no compulsion on foreigners to insure with the LIC alone.

The Corporation offers, excepting for a few minor schemes like Contingent Assurance and Reversionary Annuities, all schemes of life insurance offered by foreign insurers.

(d) The foreign exchange position is not materially affected because foreign nationals temporarily residing in India are allowed to repatriate their savings in any case.

COMPOSITE COUNCIL

463. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: 7:3
SHRI ARAVINDAKSHAN
KAIMAL: 7:3
SYED NAUSHER ALI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question No. 480 given in the Rajya Sabha on 10th August, 1966 and state:

(a) whether the proposal to set up a composite council which will include Homoeopathic has been finalised;

(b) if so, the details of the proposals; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to implement the proposal?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI B. S. MURTHY): (a) No.

(b) and (c) A Committee is being set up to examine the details of the draft legislation for establishing the proposed Council.

EYE BANKS

464. SHRI NIREN GHOSH:
SYED NAUSHER ALI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of eye banks operating in India during 1966 and the number of eyes stored in the banks;

(b) the total number of eyes procured in India and imported from outside;