*23. [Transferred to the 21st November, 1962.]

UPGRADING OF AYURVEDIC INSTITUTIONS IN UTTAR PRADESH

*24. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR: "Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Union Government to upgrade certain Ayurvedic Institutions in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government have taken into consideration the recommendations made by th_e Joshi Committee appointed by the Government of Uttar Pradesh in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR. SUSHILA NAYAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

SHORTAGE OF TRAINED PERSONNEL IN CD. BLOCKS

*25. SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PANCHAYATI RAJ AND COOPERATION be pleased to state whether there was a shortage of trained personnel in all the Community Development Blocks in different States in the categories of "Mukhya Sevikas" and 'Gram Sevikas"?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY DEVE-LOPMENT, PANCHAYATI RAJ AND COOPERATION (SHRI B. S. MURTHY): Yes, Sir. There is an overall shortage of trained Mukhya Sevikas and Gram Sevikas in all the States, but not in all the CD. Blocks. I may add that the position in respect of Mukhya Sevikas is particularly bad in the States of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Mysore, Rajasthan, Pondicherry and the Andamans. Similarly, in respect of Gram Sevikas the position is unsatisfactory in the States of Assam, Bihar, Mysore, Orissa and Rajasthan. I may also add that in view of the importance of the programme of women being trained in child welfare in rural areas, the question of recruiting an adequate number of these workers has been under constant review.

SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI: May I know, Sir, whether the Government has taken any step to train these people?

SHRI B. S. MURTHY: Yes, they are all trained. The Mukhya Sevikas get training for 10i months and Gram Sevikas get training for one year.

SHRI BAIRAGI DWIBEDY: What is the total requirement of such personnel in Orissa, and what is the present strength?

SHRL B. S. MURTHY: In Orissa the total number of C. D. Blocks is 307. Number required according to the staffing pattern is 220 Mukhya Sevikas and 440 Gram Sevikas. Mukhya Sevikas are often not available. Regarding Gram Sevikas there are 408, whereas the required number is 440.

SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI: May I know whether the hon. Minister has got figures in respect of shortage in the State of Uttar Pradesh?

SHRI B, S. MURTHY: Regarding Uttar Pradesh, the number of Mukhya Sevikas required is 666 and the number of Gram Sevikas required is 1332. Available are 469 Mukhya Sevikas and 842 Gram Sevikas.

SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI: May I know, Sir, whether any recruitment has been made in U.P. and, if so, how many?

SHRI B. S. MURTHY: The actual j details are not available, but every State is trying to make recruitment. ! It is a well-known fact that educated