

RAJYA SABHA

Wednesday, the 22nd August, 1962/the
31st Shrawana, 1884 (Saka)

The House met at eleven of the
clock, MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

HOMOEOPATHIC COLLEGE AND HOSPITAL PROPOSED IN DEFENCE COLONY

*518. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the
Minister of HEALTH be pleased to
state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a
Homoeopathic College and Hospital is
going to be built in the Defence
Colony in Delhi; and

(b) if so, who are the sponsors of
the institutions and whether it is
going to be recognised by Govern-
ment?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF HEALTH (DR. D. S.
RAJU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The sponsors of the Institute
are Dr. Yudhvir Singh Homoeopathic
Charitable Trust, Delhi. The question
of recognition will be considered as
and when an application is received.

SHRI S. C. DEB: What will be the
course that will be taught in this
college and which would be the selec-
tion authority?

DR. D. S. RAJU: We have no
information about these things. We
have only read about it in the news-
papers, but no communication has
been received from the body.

SHRI SATYACHARAN: May I
know whether the graduates of this
Homoeopathic College will be
assigned the same status as has been
given to the graduates of the Allo-
pathic colleges?

DR. D. S. RAJU: We have no
information. We only read about it in
the papers. A Governing Body is
there but they have not sent us any
communication so far on the subject.

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SHRI S. C. DEB: What would be
the educational qualifications required
for entry into that College?

DR. D. S. RAJU: We have no
information at all.

SHRI K. SANTHANAM: What is
the policy of Government regarding
Homoeopathy, Ayurveda and other
indigenous systems?

DR. D. S. RAJU: The policy of the
Government is to encourage the
scientific and research aspects.

SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: May I
know whether any statistics have been
collected about the number of
patients who depend entirely on
homoeopathy in the country?

DR. D. S. RAJU: It is a very big
question. So far as Delhi is con-
cerned, there are about twenty-five
Homeopathic dispensaries which are
receiving attention.

SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: Do
Government propose to collect any
statistics?

DR. D. S. RAJU: There is no such
proposal before Government.

SHRI A. D. MANI: Does the Gov-
ernment have any machinery to test
the qualifications of homoeopathic
institutions? The Minister said that
the question of recognition will be
considered when an application is
received. Will there be an inspection
of this College? Will there be an
assessment of this College? What is
the machinery that the Government
have got?

DR. D. S. RAJU: We have got a
Homoeopathic Adviser to the Gov-
ernment, Shri Saksena, and we take
his advice in this matter.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: On what
basis has Government replied to this
question? It is said that Govern-
ment has not received any repre-
sentation from them, but is only
replying to the question on the basis
of newspaper, reports. Is that correct?

DR. D. S. RAJU: Yes, that is correct. If we receive any representation from them, we will see as to what reply should be given to them.

*519. [The questioner (Shri A. B. Vajpayee) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 2751—2753 infra.]

EARLY MORNING POSTAL DELIVERY

*520. SHRI M. RUTHNASWAMY: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state whether the practice, which prevails in the Mylapore (Madras City) Delivery Post Office, of dispensing with the early morning postal delivery when a postman is absent, is an all-India practice?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): No, Sir. This is not the general practice, not even in Mylapore Sub-Post Office. It was only on a few occasions owing to heavy absenteeism that the early morning delivery could not be effected in that office in one beat only.

SHRI M. RUTHNASWAMY: In the Mylapore Post Office, this is a regular occurrence. It was so twice or thrice in a month the morning delivery was cut and when I asked the postman he told me that this was due to the absence on leave of some particular postman. Why is this particular Post Office suffering under this disability?

SHRI B. BHAGAVATI: This contingency arose only on four occasions, thrice in a week and once in another week.

SHRI M. RUTHNASWAMY: Only four times in one year?

SHRI B. BHAGAVATI: During some months. This is not a general thing but only under very exceptional circumstances those deliveries were combined.

SHRI M. RUTHNASWAMY: I have been living in the area covered by

this post office for the past five years and this has been a frequent occurrence, failure of the morning delivery and the reason invariably given by the postman is that some postman is absent. May I ask the Department to enquire and to find out why there is this kind of occurrence?

SHRI B. BHAGAVATI: The Post Master General, Madras, is taking necessary steps to avoid any such recurrence.

SHRI M. RUTHNASWAMY: Thank you, Sir.

SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR: Is the Government aware that in many of the post offices, the morning mail is delivered as late as 2 P.M.?

SHRI B. BHAGAVATI: No Sir, we are not aware of that.

WORKING GROUPS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE SECTOR

*521. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PANCHAYATI RAJ AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has so far been taken to appoint working groups for suggesting steps for extension of the co-operative sector in the spheres of transport, housing, village and small industries, dairying and fisheries; and

(b) if so, how many working groups are to be appointed and what would be the composition of each of them?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PANCHAYATI RAJ AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI S. D. MISRA): (a) and (b). Government have decided to set up six working groups for the following subjects:—

- (i) Industrial co-operatives;
- (ii) Housing co-operatives;
- (iii) Transport co-operatives;
- (iv) Dairy and animal husbandry co-operatives;