

contractor. The contractor has been warned."

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: May I know, Sir, whether the Government are proposing to enforce the safety measures effectively in future?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: I venture to submit to that effect.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

AYURVEDIC HOSPITAL AND CLINIC FOR TESTING AYURVEDIC MEDICINES

*306. **SHRI P. C. BHANJ DEO:** Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state whether Government propose to set up an Ayurvedic Hospital and Clinic for the purpose of testing Ayurvedic medicines?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): No, Sir. There is, however, a Central Institute of Research in Indigenous Systems of Medicine at Jamnagar where certain Ayurvedic medicines are tested with reference to the specific diseases which are taken up for research.

SOCIAL EDUCATION ORGANISERS' TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

*311. **SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN:** Will the Minister of COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the institutions where Social Education Organisers are being trained;

(b) the expenditure incurred by Government in this connection during the year 1956-57; and

(c) the number of Social Education Organisers trained during the year 1956-57?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. K. DEY):

(a) A list of the training centres for the training of Social Education Orga-

nisers is placed on the Table of the House.

(b) Rs. 10,41,700.

(c) 847.

List of Training Centres where Social Education Organisers are being trained

- (1) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, P. O. Agricultural Institute, Allahabad.
- (2) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Nilokheri (District Karnal) (Punjab).
- (3) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Visva-Bharati, Sriniketan.
- (4) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Himayat-sagar, Hyderabad-Dn.
- (5) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Gandhigram (District Madurai).
- (6) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math (Distt. Howrah).
- (7) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Vidya Bhawan Society, Udaipur (Rajasthan).
- (8) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, The M. S. University of Baroda, Baroda, (Bombay).
- (9) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Shri Mouni Vidyapeeth, Gargoti (Distt. Kolhapur) (Bombay)—Started in 1957-58 (August, 1957).
- (10) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Shri Rama Krishna Vidyalaya, Coimbatore (Madras)—Started in 1957-58 (August, 1957).
- (11) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Kasturba Gram, Gandhi National Memorial Trust, Indore—Started in 1957-58 (August, 1957).

- (12) Social Education Organisers' Training Centre, Ratu Road, Ranchi (for specialised training).

Of the above only (2) and (12) are run by the Ministry; others are by the private institutions to whom the full cost is given as grant-in-aid.

LADY HARDINGE MEDICAL COLLEGE, NEW DELHI

***312. DR. SHRIMATI SEETA PARNANAND:** Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision to retain the Lady Hardinge Medical College as a women's institution as heretofore;

(b) whether any decision has been taken on the selection of a woman principal;

(c) what is the number of applications that were received from women;

(d) what is the total number of teaching staff at present and how many of them are men; and

(e) what was the number of men teachers in 1950?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) The Government have decided to continue the Lady Hardinge Medical College as at present, but they are not committed to continuing it as an exclusively women's institution.

(b) The question of selecting a Principal for the College is under consideration.

(c) Six.

(d) 59 out of whom 7 are male teachers.

(e) Two.

PRODUCTION OF FOODGRAINS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AREAS

***320. SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN:** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state what particular steps Government have taken to produce more foodgrains in the community development areas during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): Some of the concrete measures taken in the community development areas are (i) effective supervision by the officers of the State Government over the *Block staff for the planning, execution and evaluation of the agricultural programmes*, preparation of crop-wise targets of production for each of the Blocks and villages in the Blocks; (ii) concentration of the resources of agricultural department like seeds, fertilisers, plant protection materials and crop production campaigns; (iii) encouragement of peoples' participation through village co-operative and *panchayats* in the drawing up and implementation of the crop-wise plans; (iv) setting up of seed multiplication farms with emphasis on the percentage of area covered with improved seeds; and (v) larger and better utilisation of local manurial resources by appointment of special staff.

PURCHASE OF RICE AND MILLETS

***321. SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN:** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 986 in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th September, 1957 and state:

(a) whether Government are making any purchases of rice and millets at present; and

(b) if so, the extent of such purchases made so far and the names of the States from which and the rates at which the purchases have been made?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): (a) Government are at present making purchases of rice, but not of millets.