

**ACCIDENT TO SWEDISH CARGO SHIP
"S.S. THAI"**

***388. SHRI V. M. OBAIDULLAH:**
Will the Minister for TRANSPORT be
pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a
6,000-ton Swedish cargo ship "S. S.
Thai" caught fire when it was loading
cotton bales in the Alexandra Docks,
Bombay recently;

(b) if so, what was the cause of the
accident; and

(c) the extent of loss of life and
property therein?

**THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS
AND TRANSPORT (SHRI LAL
BAHADUR):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The indications are that
unauthorised smoking in one of the
lower holds of the ship was the cause
of the accident.

(c) There was no loss of life. 1,752
bales of cotton, some bags of rice and
moong and a consignment of 294 tons
of zinc concentrate, were damaged or
partly damaged.

TRAINING INSTITUTIONS FOR MIDWIVES

***389. SHRI V. M. OBAIDULLAH:**
Will the Minister for HEALTH be
pleased to state:

(a) the number of training institu-
tions for midwives which are (i)
aided and (ii) maintained by Govern-
ment;

(b) the places where these institu-
tions are situated; and

(c) the capacity of each of these
institutions?

**THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH
(RAJKUMARI AMRIT KAUR):** (a) Forty
training institutions are aided and
one maintained by the Central Gov-
ernment.

(b) and (c). A statement giving
information about the 41 institutions
mentioned above is laid on the Table
of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

Name of Capacity
training centre

AIDED INSTITUTIONS

1. Badshah Khan Hospital, 30
Faridabad, Punjab.
2. Sitabaldi Maternity Home, 48
Nagpur.
3. Andhra Mahila Sabha 60
Maternity Home, Mylapore
Madras.
4. Vallabhahi Chikatsalya 20
Nahan (Himachal Pra-
desh).
5. Sultania Zenana Hospital, 30
Bhopal.
6. Women's Hospital, Chhind- 20
wara (Madhya Pradesh)
7. Nowgong Maternity Home, 30
Assam.
8. General Hospital, Junagarh 20
(Saurashtra).
9. Dayanand Hospital, 20
Ludhiana.
10. Victoria Zenana Hospital, 30
The Khatedhan Child-
Welfare Centre and the
Model Medical and Health
Unit, Hyderabad.
11. Gandhi Memorial Hospital, 30
Rewa (Vindhya Pradesh)
12. Medical College Hospital, 10
Nagpur.
13. K. G. Hospital, Visakhapat- 127
nam (Andhra).
14. Government District Hos- 24
pital, Guntur (Andhra).
15. Government Headquarters 30
Hospital, Machilipatnam
(Andhra).
16. V. M. Hospital, Agartala, 30
Tripura.
17. General Hospital, Madras 48
and the Government Hos-
pital, for Women and
Children, Madras.

	Name of training centre	Capacity
18.	Karnatak Health Institute Ghataprabha (and Women's Hospital, Hubli), Bombay.	30
19.	Avvai Rural Medical Services (Kasturba Gandhi Maternity Home), Gandhigram, Madura District, Madras.	18
20.	Alexandra and Zenana Hospital, Alwar, Rajasthan.	11
21.	Associated Group of Hospitals, Bikaner.	60
22.	Health School, Jodhpur	20
23.	General Hospital, Udaipur	20
24.	Government Midwifery Training School, Imphal, Manipur.	30
25.	Mayo Hospital, Nagpur	30
26.	Silver Jubilee Hospital, Raipur, Madhya Pradesh.	10
27.	Dufferin Hospital, Amravati, Madhya Pradesh.	10
28.	Lady Elgin Hospital, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh.	10
29.	School of Nursing, Rajkot	30
30.	Kasturba Memorial Hospital, Sewagaram, Madhya Pradesh.	10
31.	Christian Medical College Memorial Hospital, Ludhiana, Punjab.	30
32.	St. Werburgh's General Hospital, Nandyal, Kurnool, District (Andhra).	29
33.	Health Training Centre, Ramanagaram (Mysore).	30
34.	Bejoy Chand (formerly Fraser) Hospital, Burdwan, West Bengal.	200
35.	Ganesh Das Hospital, Shillong.	36
36.	State Hospital, Bhavnagar	30
37.	K.E.M. Hospital, Indore	20
38.	Victoria Zenana Hospital, Hyderabad.	30
39.	Civil Hospital, Mandi (Himachal Pradesh).	20

Name of training centre

40. Lady Elgin Zenana Hospital, Gaya. 30

INSTITUTIONS MAINTAINED BY THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

1. College of Nursing, New Delhi. 25

REMODELLING OF VIRUDHUNAGAR RAILWAY STATION

*390. SHRI V. M. OBAIDULLAH: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a scheme for remodelling the Virudhunagar railway station on the Southern Railway;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the scheme; and

(c) whether work on the scheme has been commenced?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI LAL BAHADUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 2,12,924.

(c) No. Not yet.

DESERT CONTROL IN RAJASTHAN

*397. SHRI VIJAY SINGH: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to paragraph 10 at page 4 of the Report of the Ministry of Food and Agriculture for 1954 and state:

(a) whether the shelter-belts for desert control were raised in Rajasthan along the Indo-Pakistan border;

(b) if so, what was the area covered by the operation?

THE MINISTER FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): (a) Yes.

(b) An area of 36 miles was taken up for the purpose in the first instance.