

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** There is no shortage of medicines so far as I know. These examinations also are conducted; they do not have to wait long.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** May I know if there is acute shortage of doctors in the C.H.S. dispensaries and if so, how many more doctors will be recruited?

**Mr. Speaker:** That he has answered.

**Shri Tulsidas Jadhav:** May I know whether the Government has received any complaint from clerks and if so what is being done?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** We have not received any complaint from the clerks.

#### Power shortage in Andhra Pradesh

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       **Shri Eishanchander Seth:**  
       **Shri Kolla Venkaiah:**  
       **Shrimati**  
       **Lakshmikanthamma:**

Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2732 on the 7th June, 1962 and state:

(a) whether the request of the Government of Andhra Pradesh has since been considered;

(b) if so, the amount released for foreign exchange;

(c) how far it has solved the scarcity of power in that State;

(d) whether it is a fact that such kind of requests have been received from other States also; and

(e) if so, the names of the States and the reaction of Government thereto?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation and Power (Shri Alagesan):** (a) Yes: Sir.

(b) Rs. 1 crore (approximately).

(c) About 20 MW additional power will become available.

(d) and (e). A request was received from the Government of Mysore and import of two 10½ MW Gas Turbine Units has been sanctioned for that State also.

**Shri Yallamanda Reddy:** May I know whether it is a fact that the World Bank refused to give a loan to the Kothagudem gas turbines and what is the other alternative proposal made by the Government?

**Shri Alagesan:** It is not a fact that the World Bank refused to give a loan. We are talking with it about it.

**Shri Yallamanda Reddy:** The hon. Minister was saying that they have given foreign exchange of about Rs. 1 crore. I want to know in what way they have given and to what project they have sanctioned foreign exchange.

**Shri Alagesan:** It is an answer to a specific question. It refers to a previous question. This is for installing two gas turbine units. Foreign exchange for the purpose is Rs. 1 crore approximately.

**Shri Yallamanda Reddy:** I want to know whether the Government have given import licence.

**Shri Alagesan:** We have issued tender specifications.

**Dr. K. L. Rao:** May I know whether it is a fact that the amount of power *per capita* is the lowest and the scarcity of power is the largest in Andhra Pradesh among all the States in South India, and if so, what steps are being taken to make up this shortage?

**Shri Alagesan:** These questions have been answered several times on the floor of the House, and the hon. Minister had placed a detailed statement regarding power shortage on the Table of the House on the 30th April, 1962. All these questions have been discussed in that statement, and the hon. Member knows about those things.