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Bangle Desh refugees, India will have to take some steps in this connection, and if so, the steps proposed to be taken and when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGHD: Hon'ble presumably Members are referring to Prince Minister's statement Parliament on 24th May, Government still hope that the international community would influence Pakistan's military rulers to create conditions through a political settlement with the already elected representatives of the people in Bangla Desh, to enable refugees in India to go back to their homes in safety and honour. Decision about the steps to be taken, if this expectation does not come about, is at this stage a hypothetical question.

Casualty Beds in Government Hospitals in Delhi

7286. SHRI N. K. SANGHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of casualty beds in Government Hospitals is not even one-seventh of the total requirement worked out on the basis of the population that these Hospitals have to serve; and
- (b) whether the working rules for attending on these patients by Doctors and specialists are not uniform in these Hospitals and if so, what steps Government have taken to augment the number of such beds in Government Hospitals and introduce uniform working rules for Doctors for attending on the patients?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND HEALTH AND FAMI-LY PLANNING (SHIT UMA SHAN-KAR DIKSHIT): (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

Upgrading the Post of Teacher working in Government Ordnance Factory Inter College, Kanpur.

7287. SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether teachers teaching Intermediate classes for about eight to ten years in Government Ordnance Factory Inter College, Armapur, Kanpur, have not been upgraded in the lecturer's grade;
- (b) if so, the reasons for this abnormal delay; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to undo this injustice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DE-FENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) VIDYA to (c). There is no post designated as that of a Lecturer in the College. Teachers are in two grades viz. Rs. 250-470 (for teachers taking Intermediate classes) and Rs. 170-380 (for others). In the Inter College of Ordnance Factory, Kanpur, there are 8 posts at present in the grade of Rs. 250— 470. A review committee recommended, in June, 1969, the 'upgradation of 4 posts to the scale of Rs. 250-470. The State Education authorities confirmed the requirement in June 1970. The question of upgradation of these 4 posts is under consideration.

Implementation of Recommendations of Kothari Commission

7288. SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations of the Kothari Commission have not been implemented in case of Teachers working in the

Ordnance Factory Schools under Director General of Ordnance Factories;

- (b) if so, the reasons for abnormal delay;
- (c) the steps taken to get these implemented; and
- (d) whether other Ministries like railways have implemented it?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) to (d). The recommendations of the Kothari Commission in this regard have been looked into and other Ministries who have similar Schools under them have been consulted. Some of these Schools have slightly lower scales of pay than those prescribed by the railways who alone have accepted the Kothari Commission scales among the Ministries. This matter came up for discussion at the meetings of the Departmental Council of this Ministry, under the JCM Scheme and having regard to all these points the staff-side were advised to raise this matter in the National Council, under the JCM as it affected Teachers under several employing Ministries.

Delegation sent abroad

7289. SHRI KRISHNA HALDER : DR. KARNI SINGH : SHRI VAYALAR RAVI :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the specific missions for which various Delegations of Government officials were sent abroad during the var 1969-70, 1970-71;
- (b) the achievements of the various delegations;

- (c) the names of officers and the names of countries visited by them; and
- (d) the expenditure involved in the shape of foreign exchange?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Foreign Delegation Visiting India

7290. SHRI KRISHNA HALDER: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state the number of foreign officials/non-official dignitaries, delegations and good-will missions that visited India on Government's invitation during 1969-70 and 1970-71?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFF AIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): No record is maintained in respect of the visit to India of foreign *Unofficial* dignitaries.

A total of 450 foreign official dignitaries, delegations and good-will missions visited India during 1969-70.

For the year 1970-71, the number of foreign official dignitaries, delegations and good-will missions that visited India is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Trachoma Disease among Rural population of Punjab

7291. SHRI B. S. BHAURA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether 79.1 per cent of Rural Population in Punjab was suffering from Trachoma; and