

Supply of Drinking Water to Villages in Ladakh

3616. SHRI KUSHOK BAKULA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to make arrangements for the supply of drinking water to villages in Ladakh being a basic human need ; and

(b) if so, salient features thereof ?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (PROF. D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) : (a) and (b). Water Supply programmes are included in the State Sector. It is for the State Government to formulate water supply schemes for the areas where shortage of drinking water is experienced, give them the needed priority and implement the same from the resources available to them in their State's Plan. However, the factual information with regard to the question is being collected from the Government of Jammu & Kashmir and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Death of Headmistress of Secondary School of Delhi

3617. SHRI LAMBODAR BALIYAR : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether untimely death of a Head Mistress of Secondary School in Delhi occurred due to carelessness and excesses of the Directorate of Education, Delhi ;

(b) if so, details of this incident ; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Smt. Gunwati died during summer vacations when the schools were closed. The circumstances of her death are not known to the Directorate of Education, Delhi.

(c) Does not arise.

Visit of Study Team to Andamans Regarding Timber Supply to Industry

3618. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Study Team headed by Shri Hejmadi, Deputy Inspector General of Forest, visited Andaman Islands to study in detail the working of the Forest Department and the basis of pricing timber supplied to the industry ;

(b) whether the study team has submitted its report ; and

(c) if so, its main features and the action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) The Study Team has studied mainly the accounting procedure followed by the Andaman Forest Department and suggested ways and means about the correct approach to be made in this direction. The Team has recommended *inter alia* that the Andaman Forest Department should be treated as a "Service Department". The recommendations of the Team are under active examination in consultation with the Ministries concerned.

Utilisation of Ministerial Bungalows after imposition of Ceiling on Urban Property

3619. SHRI B. V. NAIK : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Living space allotted to the Ministers at the Centre and the States conform to the physical ceiling on urban property proposed to be legislated ;

(b) if not, the way in which it is proposed to utilize the present bungalows ; and

(c) whether Government have considered to allot these buildings for cultural, educational and similar other defined public purposes ?