

are not sufficient number of doctors, dispensaries and beds in the hospitals in Laccadive Islands; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to remedy the situation?

The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) and (b). There are two hospitals with a total of 50 beds and six Primary Health Centres with 10 beds each in these Islands. The Primary Health Centres serve as Dispensaries. Thus there are 110 beds to serve a population of 24,108, as compared with 5 beds per 1000 for the rest of India.

There is a shortage of two Medical Officers. Efforts are being made to obtain these doctors from Kerala Government on deputation terms.

Vazhani Dam

**4605. Shri Warior:
Shri Vasudevan Nair:**

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned the construction of a bund and canal to augment the storage of water in the Vazhani Dam in Trichur District;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when the construction will be completed?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed): (a) and (b). The Government of Kerala have sanctioned a scheme called Kakkinkad consisting of a diversion weir and canal to augment water storage in Vazhani Dam. The cost of the scheme is estimated at Rs. 3.67 lakhs. The State Government have invited tenders for the work. Acquisition of land for the scheme is in progress.

(c) The scheme is expected to be completed by May, 1967.

Statues of Pandit Nehru and Dr. Rajendra Prasad

4606. Shri M. Rampure: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Urban Development be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have selected the site for statues of Shri Jawaharlal Nehru and Dr. Rajendra Prasad; and

(b) if so, the location thereof?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Urban Development (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) and (b). The matter is still under consideration.

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4607. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :

श्री उ० मू० त्रिवेदी :

श्री रामसेवक यादव :

श्री काशीराम गुप्त :

श्री किशन पटनायक :

श्री स० मो० बनर्जी :

श्री चांडक :

श्री रा० स० तिवारी :

श्री नरदेव स्नातक :

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(क) क्या यह सच है कि ग्रोरियण्टल टिम्बर ट्रेडिंग कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड बम्बई ने एडवांस इंस्योरेंस कम्पनी पर एक बहुत बड़ी रकम के दावे का मुकदमा दायर किया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो दावे का आधार क्या है तथा उनका व्यौरा क्या है ?

वित्त मंत्री (श्री शशीन्द्र चौधरी) :

(क) जी, हां ।

(ख) मेसर्स ग्रोरियण्टल टिम्बर ट्रेडिंग कारपोरेशन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड, बम्बई की कागज की मिल के गोदाम में लगी कबित