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SELECTION OF SUBJECT FOR TECHNICAL DISCUSSION
AT 1955 SESSION OF REGIONAL COMMITTEE

The World Health Assembly, at its Seventh Session, (WHA.7.31) recognised that technical discussions served one of the most useful purposes of the Health Assembly, and provided an opportunity for the growth and understanding of common problems. It, therefore, decided that technical discussions should be continued in connection with the Assembly. It further requested the Executive Board and the Director-General, among other things, to study, with the co-operation of the Regional Directors, whether regional meetings dealing with the same subjects as discussed at the Assembly should be held.

The following subjects have been discussed in the past at the sessions of the Regional Committee for S.E. Asia:

1950: A Conference of Directors of Health Services of S.E. Asia Region, on organization of health services,

1951: Technical discussions on: Long-term Planning on Regional Requirements and A BCG Conference

1952: Technical discussions on:

- a) Training of auxiliary personnel
- b) Problems of Health Services in Rural Areas

1953: First Asian Malaria Conference

In 1954, the subject for technical discussion is:

"Nursing requirements in relation to health programmes"

At its fifth session, the Regional Committee considered resolution A5/R.77 passed by the Fifth World Health Assembly on the organization of technical discussions at future Health Assemblies, and decided to discuss at the Regional Committee sessions matters of regional interest only. In the light of resolution WHA.7/31, does the Committee still hold the same view?

The guidance of the Regional Committee is also sought as regards the subject matter to be taken up for discussions at its 1955 and 1956 sessions.