

**The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) and (b). The Willingdon Hospital and Nursing Home was taken over by the Central Government from the New Delhi Municipal Committee on the 1st January, 1954, with a total bed strength of 50. As the then existing bed strength was insufficient to cater to the needs of the public and Government employees, it was decided to expand the hospital by stages. The bed strength has since been raised to 257. A new ward block has been constructed. All the major specialised services, such as medicine, surgery, E.N.T., eye, gynaecology and dentistry have been provided in the hospital. An X-Ray block has been opened. The Casualty, Laboratory and the Out-Patient Departments have been expanded. A Nurses Home has been constructed. The ancillary buildings of the Nurses Home are nearing completion.

Further expansion of the hospital will be taken up when an additional plot of land is acquired.

#### Family Planning

**1993. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state at what stage is the scheme for opening at least one family planning training and research centre in each region?

**The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar):** 42 regional training centres have been sanctioned by the Ministry of Health to be established in different States. Of them 6 have been set up so far.

#### Nangal Dam Station

**1994. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the number of incoming and outgoing passengers at Nangal Dam Station, Northern Railway in 1958-59?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** The number of incoming and outgoing passengers at Nangal Dam Station in 1958-59 was 1,44,602 and 1,78,362 respectively.

#### Overbridge near Ambala

**1995. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1804 on the 12th March, 1959, and state at what stage is the construction of over-bridge at the level crossing in Ambala on G.T. Road?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) The Government of Punjab had previously given a low priority for the construction of this over-bridge, and only recently have they asked for this scheme to be taken up during 1959-60. Accordingly detailed plans and estimates are under preparation.

#### Rail Level Crossing near Safdarjang

**1996.** { Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1419 on the 20th March, 1959, and state the further progress made in the construction of a suitable diversion road to avoid traffic jam at the railway level crossing near Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi?

**The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar):** There has been no further progress because of the objection raised by the Department of Archaeology that the proposed diversion road would pass through the protected land of Najaf Khan's Tomb. The matter is, however, receiving attention. In addition to the diversion of this road which has to be undertaken as a long-term solution to this problem, the following works have been undertaken as immediate safeguards against the traffic problems created on this road:

- (1) The "T" junction with the Vinay Nagar Road is being improved.
- (2) It has been decided to provide two separate but adjoining Railway level cross-