

change by the Government of the different lines comes up.

Evaluation of Health Programmes

53. Shri Bhagwat Jha Asad: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an independent organisation to evaluate health programmes; and

(b) if so, by what time the decision is likely to be finally taken?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) and (b). A scheme for the establishment of an organisation for training and research in public health practice including evaluation of health programmes is under consideration, but it is not possible to say at this stage when a final decision in the matter is likely to be taken.

Medical College at Raipur

54. Shri Birendra Bahadur Singh: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Madhya Pradesh have forwarded a renewed proposal for the establishment of a medical college at Raipur during the Third Plan period;

(b) if so, whether a decision has since been taken on the proposal; and

(c) if not, what advice the Government of India have communicated to the State Government?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) No fresh proposals have been received.

(b) and (c). In October, 1961, the Government of Madhya Pradesh were requested by the Planning Commission to send a rough estimate of the cost of the proposed medical college and also indicate clearly the adjustments proposed to be made in the State Plan to accommodate it. No reply has so far been received from the State Government.

वन गवेषणा संस्था, हरादून

५५. श्री नरत इर्तान : क्या कृषि तथा वन मंत्री २० मार्च, १९६२ के प्रतारिकित प्रश्न संख्या ३९६ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देहरादून की वन गवेषणा संस्था को विश्वविद्यालय का रूप देने के प्रश्न पर इस बीच निश्चय कर लिया गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह निश्चय कब से लागू होगा ?

कृषि तथा वन मंत्री (श्री ल० का० पाटिल) : (क) अभी कोई निश्चय नहीं किया गया है ।

(ख) इस प्रश्न में कुछ कहना कठिन है ।

Family Planning Clinics in Kerala

56. Shri Kunhan: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) how many Family Planning Clinics are functioning at present in Kerala;

(b) how many of them are in the rural and how many in the urban areas;

(c) how many members of Family Planning Advisory Board are there in Kerala; and

(d) what are their functions?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) to (d). The required information is being collected and will, when available, be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Wagons for Movement of Coal to Madras

57. Shri Umanath: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the steps taken to relieve the wagon shortage for the movement of coal to Madras State?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): Coal is transported to South India partly by rail and partly by rail-cum-sea route. The requirements for movement by rail-cum-sea route are being met in full by the Railways. The all rail movement of coal to the South is regulated by quotas for despatches beyond Waltair, Bezwada, Raichur and Dronachellam due to capacity limitations. No separate movement quotas are fixed for movement to Madras State:

Apart from augmenting rolling stock required to step up coal loading in general, the sectional capacities for movement of traffic for destinations beyond Waltair and Bezwada which is the main trunk route for movement from Collieries; to Southern India are being developed so as to accommodate the full movement of coal and other general goods to the South. In addition to the partial doubling of 93.5 miles in the Vijaywada Madras section already completed, further doubling of 84.5 miles in the same section has been sanctioned.

Railway Line from Cochin Harbour to Mavelikkara an Southern Railway

58. Shri Achuthan: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct a new Railway line from Cochin Harbour to Mavelikkara via Alleppey and if so what is the stage at which the matter lies now;

(b) whether any representation has been received for the construction of a new Railway for the construction of a new Railway line to connect Punalur and Mavelikkara on the Southern Railway; and

(c) if so, what action Government are proposing to take?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a). No.

(b). Yes.

(c). The proposal is not included in the railways programme for the Third Five Year Plan.

New Railway Lines for Kerala

59. Shri Achuthan: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the new Railway lines recommended by the Government of Kerala for inclusion in the Third Five Year Plan; and

(b) the names of the new lines included by Government in the Third Five Year Plan in the order of their priority?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 13].

(b) None of the lines, as mentioned in the statement in answer to part (a) of the question, is included in the railways programme of construction of new lines for the Third Five Year Plan.

World Health Day

60. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Medical Department of the Delhi Administration launched an extensive drive to curb the incidence of eye diseases and blindness on the World Health Day;

(b) if so, what are the details of the schemes launched; and

(c) what progress has been achieved in the matter so far?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) to (c). No extensive drive to curb the incidence of eye diseases and blindness has been launched by the Delhi Administration. In connection with the observance of the World Health Day on the 7th April, 1962 the theme of which was "Prevent Blindness", a programme was arranged in collaboration with the Delhi Municipal Corporation and the Delhi Medical Association to bring home to