

(b) if so, the location of the University suggested by State Government; and

(c) whether the proposal has been approved?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a). No.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Alignment of National Highway near Quilon

1944. Shri M. K. Kumaran. Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether alignment of the National Highway where it passes through the Quilon town-area has been decided upon; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Heart Disease

1945. { **Dr. P. Srinivasan:**
Shri Paramasivan:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that heart attacks are more frequent these days;

(b) if so, what measures have been adopted by Government to educate the people for preventing the same;

(c) whether there are any clinics provided for the general check up;

(d) if so, the number of such clinics opened in the country; and

(e) the number of persons who have availed of this facility?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Reliable data are not available. However, the incidence of heart diseases appears to be on the increase.

(b). The cause of increase in the incidence of coronar heart disease all over the world is being extensively investigated. There are several reasons believed to be the cause of such increase, namely (i) increased complexity and stresses and strains of modern ways of life, (ii) the nature of dietetic habits with special reference to fats in food, and (iii) the hereditary factors. Patients are generally advised in regard to their mode of life and dietetic habits but in the absence of exact knowledge, no specific preventive measures on a large scale are possible.

(c) to (e). Facilities for general check up and treatment of patients of heart diseases are available in most of the Districts Hospitals and in other bigger hospitals in the country and these are availed of by such persons as wish to use them. Health check up facilities are specially provided under the C.H.S. Scheme and 3664 persons have availed of this facility during the last twelve months.

Telephone Connections

1946. Shri Rajaram: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state the number of applications pending for grant of telephone connections in main cities, towns and villages in Salem District, Madras State?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): A statement is laid on the table of the House. [See appendix III, annexure No. 20].

उत्तर प्रदेश में बीज फार्म

१९४७. श्री सरज पाण्डे : क्या सच तथा कृषि मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश में १९५८ से अब तक जिलेवार कुल कितने बीज फार्म खोले जा चुके हैं ;

(ख) ऐसे कुल कितने फार्म खोले जायेंगे;