- (b) if so, what are its feature, and how and when it is going to materialize: and
- (c) what will be the total cost of the implementation of the scheme?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) to (c). Evaluation of Health programmes is being increasingly undertaken to ensure success and learn from mistakes if any. The latter can be considered a research activity.

### Bed-strength of Central Government Hospitals

# 735. \int Dr. P. Srinivasan: Shri Paramasivan:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

- (a) the present bed-strength of Central Government hospitals Statewise;
- (b) whether there are any proposals to increase the bed-strength; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) There are three hospitals under the control of the Ministry of Health, of which the bed-strength is as follows:—

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- (b) Yes.
- (c) Hospital for Mental Diseases, Ranchi

The bed strength of the hospital is likely to be increased by 180 beds when the following works, which are in progress, are completed:—

- (i) Construction of Dining Halls 80 beds.
- (ii) Construction of Chronic Patients Ward. 100 beds.

180 beds.

Safdarjang Hospital, New Delhi

35 beds are proposed to be added to Orthopaedic Department

Willingdon Hospital, New Delhi

It is proposed to increase the bedstrength upto 500 beds in the Third Five Year Plan.

### Cancer Hospitals

# 736. { Dr. P. Srinivasan: Shri Paramasivan:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cancer hospitals at present in India State-wise;
- (b) the number of patients undergoing treatment at present; and
- (c) whether there are any proposals to build new cancer hospitals in the near future and the details thereof?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) There are only three hospitals in the country treating cancer cases exclusively viz. the Tata Memorial Hospital, Bombay, the Chittaranjan Cancer Hospital, Calcutta and the Cancer Institute, Madras. Cancer cases are, however, treated in almost all general hospitals throughout the country. A statement showing the names of hospitals State-wise where facilities for the treatment of cancer are available is laid on the Table of the House. (Placed in Library See No. LT-362/63).

(b) and (c) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha in due course.