

(d) The following steps/measures have been undertaken to check the spread of the diseases :

I. Japanese Encephalitis :

(1) A cell has been set up in National Malaria Eradication Programme Directorate to coordinate the activities of Central and State Governments.

(2) Health Education measures have been intensified and a note on Japanese Encephalitis has been distributed to different States/Union Territories to distribute among public and medical personnel.

(3) All States/Union Territories have been advised to spray BHC/DDT on an area of 2/3 km. around a case wherever reported.

(4) Adequate quantity of insecticides have been supplied to States/Union Territories for control of out break of Japanese Encephalitis.

(5) Viral Research Centre, Pune, Tropical School of Medicine, Calcutta, All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health, Calcutta, National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi are involved in the Programme for advice and diagnosis of cases.

(6) Vaccine are supplied to the States/Union Territories on their demand.

II. Meningitis :

(1) Constant surveillance is being maintained specially in the affected and congested localities.

(2) Early diagnosis and treatment, even on the basis of presumptive clinical diagnosis is being undertaken.

(3) Arrangements for adequate supply of drugs required to combat the disease have been made. All the Hospital and dispensaries have stocked sufficient quantities of the required antibiotics and supportive drugs.

(4) In order to create a general awareness amongst the public and to impress upon them the need for early diagnosis and treatment the service of

AIR and Doordarshan and also of the Press have been utilised.

(5) The Indian Medical Association have initiated actions to issue instructions to their members regarding proper management of cases.

(6) The WHO, at our behest, has airlifted sera for proper typing of the causative organisms.

(7) the Indian Council of Medical Research has initiated studies on carries and their management in order to provide information on the epidemiology of the disease for better control.

(8) It has been decided to vaccinate the identified high-risk groups for which arrangements have been made.

Expansion of Rudauli Railway Station

*5819. SHRI NIRMAL KHATRI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a scheme for the expansion of Rudauli Railway Station on Northern Railway is under consideration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a proposal to construct overbridge at this station to facilitate the movement from one platform to the other is also under consideration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) At this station there are two platforms; one high level and the other low level. All the trains both in up and down directions are generally received on the high level platform. There is no proposal to provide a foot-over-bridge connecting the two platforms at present.