

constructed during 1984-85 with the Central assistance ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AND WOMEN'S WELFARE (SHRIMATI M. CHANDRA-SEKHAR) : (a) An assistance of Rs. 19,42,187 was provided to 5 voluntary organisations in Karnataka for construction of working Women's Hostels during 1984-85.

(b) Three new Working Women's Hostels were sanctioned for Karnataka during 1984-85.

National Medical Education Inspection Committee

6890. PROF. NIRMALA KUMARI SHAKTAWAT : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government has set up a 15 Members National Medical Education Inspection Committee in 1981;

(b) if so, the main functions of this Committee;

(c) whether the members of this Inspections Committee had ever worked in rural areas; and

(d) if so, the details of the work report of the Committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) to (d). The Government of India did not set up any National Medical Education Inspection Committee in 1981. However, the Government of India had set up a Medical Education Review Committee in September, 1981, consisting of 15 members under the Chairmanship of Dr. S. J. Mehta, Retired Director, Jaslok Hospital, Bombay, to review the present Medical Education System, in the context of the National commitment to attain the goal of health for all by the year 2000 A. D. through the universal provision of primary Health Care. The Committee was required to (i) review the current admission procedure, (ii) suggest measures for bringing about overall improvements in the under- and post-graduate graduate Medical Education (iii) recommend the optimum duration of undergraduate and post-graduate study; (iv)

examine Internship programme and (v) evolve realistic projections of Medical manpower requirement during the Sixth Five Year Plan and beyond.

Extension of Quilon-Kottayam Shuttle upto Ernakulam

6891. PROF. P. J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Venad Express running between Trivandrum and Ernakulam is always over crowded;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to consider the extension of the present Quilon-Kottayam shuttle which runs in the morning, upto Ernakulam and run it as an express between Kottayam and Ernakulam so as to reduce the overcrowding in the Venad Express; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

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

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Apart from the Question of lack of traffic justification extension 381/382 Quilon-Kottayam passenger to and from Ernakulam is not feasible due to saturated line capacity on sections enroute.

Spread of T.B. and Leprosy in Tribal Areas of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Rajasthan

6892. SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that killer diseases like T.B. and leprosy is spreading in tribal areas of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the tribal areas affected by these diseases in these States alongwith the population affected; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to assist and provide the necessary medicines to these States during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI

YOGENDRA MAKHANA) : (a) and (b). There is no evidence to show that TB and leprosy is spreading at a higher rate in tribal areas of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Rajasthan. In so far as leprosy is concerned some of the districts which also include the tribal population have been identified as hyper endemic with a prevalence rate of 10 and above per thousand. The list of such districts in these states is given at statement-I.

(c) The Central assistance released to these States under TB and leprosy programmes is given in the statement at statement-II.

Statement

List of hyper endemic Districts with Prevalance Rate of 10/1000 and above

Name of the State	Districts
Bihar	Santhal Parganas Dhanbad Gaya Saran

	Muzaffarpur
	Munger
	Hazaribagh
	Ranchi
	Rothas
	Singhbhum
Madhya Pradesh	Bilaspur Raipur Raigarh Durg Chhindwara
Orissa	Ganjam Balasore Cuttuck Chenkanal Mayurbhanj Puri Sambalpur
Rajasthan	Alwar Bharatpur

Statement-II

Statement showing the cost of the anti-TB drugs supplied under National TB Control Programme and the quantum of Central assistance including drugs released to States under National Leprosy Eradication Programme during 1982-83, 1983-84, 1984-85

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of State	1982-83		1983-84		1984-85	
	TB	LEPROSY	TB	LEPROSY	TB	LEPROSY
Bihar	4.54	47.84	16.45	57.24	67.48	62.81
Madhya Pradesh	10.84	33.98	18.83	55.95	78.73	66.12
Orissa	6.11	66.77	9.88	66.61	26.96	119.86
Rajasthan	6.53	24.73	13.11	20.02	44.15	25.78

Evaluation of History Text Books in Different States

6893. SHRIMATI PHULRENU GUHA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been any evaluation of the history text books used in schools in different States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the stage and class from which World History is taught to the school students in different States; and

(d) the syllabi of History in West Bengal schools as compared to that of schools in other States ?