

Pradesh and West Bengal and in the Union Territories of Goa, Daman and Diu, Pondicherry, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep.

(c) During the Sixth Five Year Plan period a population of about 27 million is being protected through recurrent anti-larval measures and detection/treatment of filaria cases through 188 control units. 90% of the towns where anti larval measures are in operation for more than five years had shown decline in filaria cases. Another 5 million population is being protected by 3 Rural Filaria Control Projects one each in Gujarat (Bulsar District), Uttar Pradesh (Jaunpur District), Andhra Pradesh (Srikakulam District) so far surveys have been completed in 235 districts and survey is in progress in 26 districts. Anti-larval measures with various larvicides have been intensified to control filariasis. Adequate stock of larvicides and drugs is being provided under the National Filaria Control Programme.

Kangsabati Reservoir Project

4424. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of West Bengal have sent a Rs. 210 crores scheme for modernisation of Kangsabati Reservoir Project to the Central Water Commission for approval;

(b) whether the Government are aware that in view of the sanctioning of upper Kangsabati Project in Purulia it has become extremely essential to approve the modernisation of the present Kangsabati Reservoir Project as the former when executed will take away a substantial part of water and cripple the present reservoir unless its water resources are substantially increased; and

(c) if answer to (a) and (b) are in the affirmative what steps are being taken for immediate clearance of the modernisation and augmentation scheme of Kangsabati Reservoir Project ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) A Project Report for Modernisation of Kangsabati Reservoir Project estimated to cost Rs. 232.84 crores has been

received in the Central Water Commission in April, 1983.

(b) Upper Kangsabati Project in Purulia district has not yet been approved by the Planning Commission.

(c) The matter is under examination.

Increase in Diseases due to Protein Caloric malnutrition like Marasmus and Kwashiorkar

4425. DR. G. VIJAYA RAMA RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the diseases due to protein caloric malnutrition like Marasmus and Kwashiorkar are increasing in the rural areas and if so, State-wise figures of incidence; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the country has to face this problem due to neglect in Five Year Plans and if so, the preventive measure taken/proposed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau under ICMR conducts diet and Nutrition Surveys in the rural and urban areas in 10 States. Kwashiorkar and Marasmus are the extreme forms of Protein caloric malnutrition and are generally seen in pre-school children. The incidence of Kwashiorkar and Marasmus in different years is given in Statement attached. Government have started the following programmes to contain the problem :—

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare :

1. Prophylaxis Programme against Vitamin 'A' deficiency leading to blindness amongst children, initiated in 1971.
2. Prophylaxis programme to prevent Nutritional anaemia in mothers and children started in 1971.

Ministry of Social and Women Welfare :

3. Integrated Child Development Service Scheme initiated in 1975.

4. Special Nutrition Programme in 1962-63.
(1970-71).

5. Balawadi Nutrition Programme Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies :
(1970-71).

Ministry of Education :

6. Mid day meal programme started

7. Development of low-cost foods for supplementary feeding.

8. Education, extension and Publicity.

Statement

Percentage Prevalence of Kwashiorkar and marasmus in pre-school children in different States.

States	1978		1980		1982	
	Kwash	Maras	Kwash	Maras	Kwash	Maras
Kerala	—	0.7	—	—	—	—
Tamil Nadu	—	0.6	—	0.4	0.3	—
Karnataka	0.3	0.5	—	0.3	—	0.2
Andhra Pradesh	1.3	2.3	0.5	1.7	0.6	—
Maharashtra	0.7	—	NC	NC	0.5	0.3
Gujarat	0.5	3.4	—	1.1	—	2.3
Orissa	—	0.9	—	—	—	—
West Bengal	0.4	—	—	0.3	—	—
Madhya Pradesh	—	—	NC	NC	NC	NC
Uttar Pradesh	0.9	0.7	1.3	0.8	NC	NC

NC—Not covered.

Assistance Provided to Physically Handicapped

4426. DR. G. VIJAYA RAMA RAO :
Will the Minister of SOCIAL AND WOMEN'S WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that vast majority of the physically handicapped people are not being properly looked after in the country especially in rural areas; and

(b) what is the number of physically handicapped, State-wise, and the social assistance provided for the urban and rural handicapped population, year-wise for the past three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AND WOMEN'S WELFARE (SMT. M. CHANDRA-SEKHAR) : (a) No, Sir. There are several schemes for prevention and detection of dis-