

Appointment of Committee to make Recommendations Regarding Functioning of CGHS

1680. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any Committee was appointed by Government to suggest and make recommendations in regard to the functioning of Central Government Health Scheme; and

(b) if so, whether Government have received its report and if so, the details regarding the recommendations made therein ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

National Youth Service to Eradicate Illiteracy

1681. SHRI T. BASHEER : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to set up a National Youth Service to involve educated youth and students in the task of eradication of illiteracy in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) and (b). No such proposal is under consideration of the Government. The University Grants Commission is providing financial assistance to Universities and Colleges for involvement of students in organisation of adult education programme.

Development of a National Waterway during Seventh Plan in Kerala

1682. SHRI T. BASHEER :
SHRI P.A. ANTHONY :

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any scheme has been envisaged to develop a National water way in Kerala during Seventh Plan;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received any proposal regarding this; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in regard thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The West Coast Canal (Quilon-Cochin Section) is one among the five waterways proposed for declaring as National Waterway in the 7th Five Year Plan. A total provision of Rs. 5.00 crores exists in the 7th Five Year Plan for these Waterways.

(c) and (d). A proposal for development of Quilon-Cochin Stretch (146 Km.) of the West Coast Canal system has been received from the Government of Kerala. The proposal includes dredging, provision of navigational aids, terminal facilities etc. The Government of Kerala has been requested to carry out hydrographic survey and techno-economic studies on this stretch of the waterway.

Parts of Air India Jumbo Engine Fall off at Bangkok

1683. SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report appearing in the Times of India dated 17 October, 1985 wherein it has been stated that part of the Air India Jumbo Jet of engine fell into a field shortly after the plane took off from Bangkok for Hongkong;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has since been conducted; and