

industrial salt from this area. The traffic in industrial salt declined by 17.4% in 1984-85 over 1983-84 and by 65% in 1985-86 over 1984-85. However, the drop was compensated to some extent by increase of 13% in the loading of sponsored salt in this area in 1985-86 as compared to the previous year.

**Diversion of 1/2 Kalka Mail to New Delhi Instead of Delhi**

7476. SHRI YOGESHWAR PRASAD YOGESH : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received representations for diversion of 1/2 Kalka Mail to New Delhi instead of Delhi as at present for the convenience of the residents of South Delhi passengers ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

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

(b) It has been examined but not found feasible.

**Sale of Nirodh Through Union Carbide**

7477. SHRI SURESH KURUP : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Union Carbide is one of the companies through which Nirodh contraceptives are marketed ; and

(b) if so, the reasons for giving this job to the Company ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Social marketing of Nirodh a contraceptive device for men, was taken up in 1968 at a part of Government of India Family Planning Programme with the involvement of twelve largest consumer goods and pharmaceutical marketing

Companies both in private and public sector who have extensive reach of distribution and Union Carbide is one such Company.

**Inclusion of Biography of Shrimati Indira Gandhi in School Syllabus**

7478. SHRI T. BALA GOUD : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of books have been published on the life, achievements and sacrifices of Shrimati Indira Gandhi our late Prime Minister ; and

(b) if so, the measures being taken by Government to include the biography of late Prime Minister in the syllabus of schools/colleges to inculcate patriotism in our younger generation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) is publishing a biography of late Shrimati Indira Gandhi for use as supplementary reading material by school children. The curricula and syllabi for courses offered by colleges are prescribed by the concerned universities themselves. It is open to any university to prescribe the biography of late Shrimati Indira Gandhi as textual/reading material for the relevant courses.

**Criteria for Charging CGHS Contribution from Pensioners**

7479. SHRI K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some pensioners are being charged high rate for CGHS contribution ;