

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) None of the approved Polytechnics in the country conduct Diploma Course in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering. There are, however, nine privately managed institutions imparting training in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The intake in each institute per year is approximately 60 and the total duration of the course is 2½ years.

(d) to (f) : The Government have no formal scheme to provide employment to these students. They are eligible to take examination conducted by Director General of Civil Aviation for the issue of licence in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering after completion of their training and practical experience. They normally get absorbed by the airlines and other aircraft operators.

[English]

Deaths due to Meningitis

7530. SHRIMATI SHEILA DIKSHIT : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) names of the cities where meningitis has been detected in an epidemic form ; and

(b) the number of cases detected and the number of deaths due to meningitis during the last six months in each city ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b) : The Government do not compile city-wise information regarding the morbidity and mortality figures pertaining to any disease. Such figures are usually collected state-wise. According to the figures compiled so far, high incidence of Meningitis has been reported from the Union Territory of Delhi, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Jammu and Kashmir. The incidence and mortality figures of these States and Union Territories during 1985 and 1986 are as under :

Name	Incidence		Mortality	
	1985	1986	1985	1986
Delhi	5,658	1,535	697	160
Maharashtra	1,573	432	338	29
Gujarat	191	165	43	45
J & K	9	29	—	7

Norms for Selection of Districts under Indian Population Project

7531. SHRI I. RAMA RAI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the norms adopted in the selection of Districts under Indian Population Project (I.P.P.) ;

(b) which are the Districts selected in Kerala under this project ; and

(c) what are the facilities provided to these districts ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNAKUMAR) : (a) Districts for Indian Population Projects were selected in consultation with the State Governments keeping in view the following factors :—

(i) areas with high density of population ;

(ii) areas having high percentage of economically weaker sections of the community ;

(iii) areas with high mortality rate accompanied by high infant and maternal mortality ;

(iv) districts which have shown moderate performance in the past and where the potential for greater acceptance exists ;

(v) districts which are representative of the whole State and where the success of the programme can set an example for the other districts within the State.

(b) Districts of Idukki, Palghat, Malappuram and Wynad were selected under the India Population Project in Kerala.

(c) Project envisages setting up the following facilities/inputs :—

(i) Construction of a total of 1195 buildings for Service Delivery Centres (Subcentres, Subsidiary Health Centres, Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres), essential residential buildings and training centres.

(ii) Improvement in the technical and management skills of the staff through training.

(iii) Strengthening of information education and Communication activities.

(iv) Evolving a new improved Management Information and Evaluation System.

(v) Introduction of Population Education.

(vi) Undertaking research activities.

Books missing from Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi

7532. SHRI RAM BAHADUR SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that many books and manuscripts are missing from the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether Government have any time-bound programme for replacing them ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) to (d) Only 257 books on subjects like political, social, economic and religious history of India have been lost from the Library in 20 years since its

inception in 1966. The Library has at present 1,00,541 books on its shelves. Efforts are being made to replace the lost books as and when these become available in the market. So far seven titles have been replaced.

Proposal for Setting up Irrigation Development Corporation

7533. SHRI NARSING SURYAWANSHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government had received a proposal some years before to set up an irrigation development corporation for the speedy execution of Major irrigation Projects; and

(b) if so, whether any decision was taken thereon and what is the present position ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) No such proposal was received.

(b) Does not arise.

Tribal Areas Brought Under Irrigation

7534. SHRI R. M. BHOYE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether efforts were made by Government to bring additional areas of land in the tribal areas under irrigation during the Sixth Five Year Plan period ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, during the Sixth Five Year Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An irrigation potential of about 6.66 lakh ha. was created under the Tribal Sub-Plan during the Sixth Plan as shown below.