

the Centre for the Northern Zone is decided).

outbreak of meningitis in Sion-Koliwada area of Bombay;

[*Translation*]

Air Service for Divisions of MP

6086. SHRI KAMMODILAL JATAV: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the divisions in Madhya Pradesh in which air-services have been introduced and the number and names of the remaining divisions where air services have not yet been introduced;

(b) the time by which the air services will be introduced in the remaining divisions; and

(c) if the same will not be introduced, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTILAL VORA):

(a) Air services have been introduced in 8 divisions in M.P.viz. Bhopal, Bilaspur, Raipur, Bastar, Gwalior, Sagar, Indore and Jabalpur. The remaining 3, i.e., Hoshangabad, Rewa and Ujjain have not yet been airlinked.

(b) and (c). The question of airlinking the remaining three divisions in Madhya Pradesh will depend upon the availability of aircraft capacity, development of infrastructure and economic viability of operations.

{*English*}

Outbreak of Meningitis in Bombay

6087. DR.DATTA SAMANT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is

(b) if so, the number of persons affected by meningitis and how many of them have died; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE):

(a) The State Government of Maharashtra has informed that there is no outbreak of meningitis in Greater Bombay.

(b) During the period from 3-1-1988 to 5-3-1988, 328 cases with 14 deaths due to all forms of Meningitis have been reported from hospitalis in Bombay.

(c) The following steps have been taken to combat the disease:

- 1) The affected cases were given Chemoprophylactic treatment with Sulphadiazine.
- 2) Two teams consists of 2 Doctors, 4 ANMS, 4 MPWS and 2 Sanitary inspectors are keeping constant vigil in the area.
- 3) Affected area has been disinfected by fogging.
- 4) Clearing of Drainage.
- 5) Removal of Garbage regularly.

Schemes for Improving Production at Major Ports

6088. SHRI G.S.BASAVARAJU: SHRI S.B.SIDNAL:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT