

Rat menace in Delhi Hospitals

2348. SHRICHINMAYANANDSWAMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any complaint regarding rats menace in Government Hospitals of Delhi during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c). While occasional instances of rat nuisance have been reported in some Government hospitals, in order to keep pests at bay, rat catchers and rat poisons are being used. Rodent and pest control agencies are also engaged.

Mobile Food and Nutrition Extension Unit in Orissa

2349. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Mobile Food and Nutrition Extension units working at Bhubaneswar in Orissa;

(b) whether the Government propose to set up such units at Dhankanal and other districts of the State;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the time by which such units are likely to be set up in each district of Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN

GOGOL): (a) There is one Community Food and Nutrition Extension Unit of Food and Nutrition Board functioning at Bhubaneswar.

(b) There is no provision for setting up additional units in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

[Translation]

Conversation of Neemuch-Ratlam Section

2350. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for gauge-conversion between Neemuch and Ratlam on the Chittaur-Ratlam section of Western Railway; and

(b) if so, the time by which this work is likely to commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The work is expected to be taken up during 8th Five Year Plan subject to availability of funds.

[English]

Overbridge at Ambalapuzha

2351. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from the State Government of Kerala for construction of Ambalapuzha overbridge on Alleppey Kayamkulam railway line;