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"Horizontal and Vertical Health Programme to Care Leprosy in Karnetaka

- 2632. SHRI V. S. KRISHNA IYER: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :
- (a) whether the horizontal health programme involving multi-purpose workers in leprosy in Karnataka has been largely ineffective;
- (b) whether it is possible to have a vertical programme with para medical staff working on leprosy;
- Centre have (c) whether the approved the vertical programme for being introduced in Karnataka; and
- (d) if so, the details regarding implementation of the above programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) No. Sir.

(b) to (d): As per recommendation of the Working Group on Leprosy and as accepted by the Govt., all districts with endemicity of 5 or above per thousand are to be covered by vertical leprosy programme until the prevalence rate in these districts comes down to less than 2.5 per thousand. In the districts having endemicity below 5 per thousand, the responsibility for implementation of National Leprosy Eradication Programme will rest with the Multi-Purpose Workers set up. All the State Govts, including Karnataka have already been requested to implement the programme accordingly.

ICDS Projects for Karnataka

2633. SHRI V. S. KRISHNA IYER: Will the Minister of SOCIAL AND WOMEN'S WELFARE be pleased to state :

- (a) cut of 1000 ICDS (Integrated Child Development Scheme) projects sanctioned during Seventh Five Year Plan, how many of them will be taken up in Karnataka; and
- (b) whether Government propose to sanction at least 4 more ICDS projects during current year considering the population of the women and children of the Karnataka State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AND WOMEN'S WELFARE (SHRIMATI M CHANDRASEKHAR): (a) magnitude of expansion of ICDS during the Seventh Plan is not yet decided.

(b) No. Sir.

Proposal to Make Calcutta University a Central University

2634. SHRI SUDHIR ROY: SHRI ANANDA PATHAK: SHRI BHOLA NATH SEN: SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to make Calcutta University a Central University; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) No proposal to make Calcutta University a Central University is presently under the consideration of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Desiltation in Damodar Reservoir

- 2635. SHRI SUDHIR ROY: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether most of the reservoirs of the Damodar and its tributaries are