

(c) There is no separate Central Plan Scheme for the control of Japanese Encephalitis. However, insecticides/fogging/ULV machine are being supplied to the affected states on 50:50 cost sharing basis under N.M.A.P. (Rural).

Teachers' Training Institutes

2416. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of districts which do not yet have an Elementary Teacher Training Institute;

(b) the number of districts where these institutes have been upgraded to District Institute of Education and Training;

(c) the target year for establishing the proposed district institutes in all districts of the country;

(d) the level of financial assistance by the Union Government to States for the proposed upgradation; and

(e) whether Government propose to encourage the establishment of Private Teacher's Training Institutes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) Information is being collected.

(b) Till 7th March, 1988, first instalment of Central assistance had been sanctioned to various State Governments for upgradation of 43 existing Elementary Teacher Training Institutes into District Institutes of Education and Training. The upgradation will be carried out by the State Governments with this assistance, over a period of time.

(c) Provisionally, it is proposed to sanction, by the end of the Seventh Plan period, District Institutes of Education and Training in all those districts of the country which can sustain a full-fledged institute of this nature. However, the extent of implementation of this programme would depend on availability of funds, and response of State Governments.

(d) Central assistance for upgradation is sanctioned on the basis of project prepared by the State Governments, looking to the specific requirements of institutions and districts concerned. However, as a norm, Central assistance for non-recurring items of expenditure is given to the extent of about Rs. 54.5 lakhs per project. In addition, assistance for recurring items of expenditure would also be available till the end of the Seventh Plan period to the extent of about Rs. 24.4 lakhs annually, reduced by the present level of expenditure on the institution being upgradated.

(e) No, Sir.

Incidence of Meningitis

2417. SHRI VAKKOM PURUSHOTHAMAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of cases of meningitis reported during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the cases of deaths reported in the country due to meningitis during the last one year;

(c) the measure taken by Government to reduce the incidence of meningitis;

(d) whether attention of Government has also been drawn to the non-availability of meningitis vaccine in sufficient numbers in Government hospitals; and

(e) if so, the reason therefor and step taken by Government to make the vaccine available ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) According to the information received from the State/UT health authorities, the total number of Meningitis cases during the last three years are as under :

1985	15755
1986	10382
1987	8615
Total	<u>34752</u>