

The Committee has recommended short term and long term measures to prevent occurrence of such outbreaks as under:-

Short term measures include immediate management as under:-

1. Immediate supply of safe drinking water.
2. Quick disposal of garbage, refuse, human and animal excreta.
3. Intensification of Health Education to create public awareness for personal hygiene, proper sanitation and food hygiene.
4. Community participation.
5. Monitoring and surveillance.

Long term measures proposed are as under:-

1. Ensure adequate and safe drinking water.
2. Proper and regular excreta disposal and environmental sanitation.
3. Health education and community participation through Mass-media like TV, Radio, Newspaper, meetings, etc.
4. Immunization.
5. Early warning system for water borne diseases.
6. Surveillance and Evaluation.

Purchase of Westland Helicopters

4939. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether global tenders were floated

for the purchase of Westland Helicopters and were they processed through normal channels;

(b) if so, the details of evaluation and the findings;

(c) whether it is a fact that a grant of one time lump sum operating subsidy of about £ 10 Million for these helicopters has been obtained, if so, by what calculations the entire high operational cost and repairs etc. was considered to be off-set; and

(d) the net profit/loss earned so far on the operation of these helicopters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) and (b). An Expert Committee consisting of members from the ONGC and IAF evaluated the helicopters of the required type then available in the world market and narrowed down the choice of helicopters to the following :

1. SA 365N (Dauphin) - manufactured by Aerospatiale, France
2. S 76 - manufactured by M/s. Sikorsky, USA.
3. Bell 412 - manufactured by M/s. Bell Helicopters, USA.

Subsequently, this list was enlarged to include the W-30 helicopter offered by M/s. Westland Helicopters, UK, which was then under development.

After evaluation, SA365N Dauphin-2 Westland-30 helicopters were approved for purchase taking into account the technical, operational and financial aspects.

(c) Yes, Sir. To off-set the higher operational cost of Westland helicopters, an operating subsidy amounting to £ 10 million has been received by Pawan Hans from M/s. Westland. This amount was calculated on the basis of comparisons of direct cost and

the financial and other concessions accompanying the sale offers relating to Westland and Dauphin helicopters.

(d) Pawan Hans have incurred an estimated loss of Rs. 8.70 crores upto 31.3.1988 on the operation and maintenance of Westland fleet of helicopters.

[*Translation*]

Bilateral Wage Agreements in Public Sector

4940. SHRI MADAN PANDEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state.

(a) whether the representatives of All India Trade Unions recently met him and demanded that the Bureau of Public Enterprises be kept away from the bilateral wage agreements in the Public Sector,

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any decision in this regard, and

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

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEY) (a) No, Sir

(b) and (c) Do not arise

[*English*]

Incidence of Brain Tumor

4941 SHRI A.J.V B.MAHESHWARA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) whether the incidence of Brain Tumor is on the increase,

(b) if so, the number of children and adults who died due to this disease during the last three years, and

(c) the preventive measures taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTILAL VORA) : (a) and (b). The Data from the population Based Cancer Registries of National Cancer Registry Project of Indian Council of Medical Research does not show any change in the incidence of brain cancer for the year 1982-85.

(c) There are no known measures to prevent Brain Tumours but early diagnosis and treatment will prevent deaths.

Repair of Bridges

4942. SHRI H.N.NANJE GOWDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of over-bridges in Karnataka and Kerala that require urgent repairs; and

(b) the allocation of funds made for this purpose for the financial year, 1988-89?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) None, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above. However, an amount of Rs. 4 lakhs is likely to be spent during 1988-89 for minor repairs/maintenance works of the Road over/under bridges in Kerala and Karnataka

Irregularities in Rabi Purchases 1987 by NCCF, Akola, Bombay

4943 DR. A.K.PATEL Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether an enquiry into the irregularities in Rabi purchases 1987 at Akola depot Bombay branch of N.C.C.F was conducted in 1988, and

(b) if so, the outcome of the enquiry and the action taken against the officers involved therein?