

Grade Lecturers in Colleges in Delhi, had reached the maximum of their scale of pay in 1984 or earlier. There was no agreement with the Delhi University Teachers' Association that any stagnation removal increment would be sanctioned to such teachers.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Introduction of new Herb by Central Institute of Medical and Aromatic Plants to Cure Malaria

1475. KUMARI PUSHPA DEVI :
SHRI CHINTA MOHAN :

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

(a) whether the Central Institute of Medicinal and aromatic Plants has introduced a new herb to curb Malaria ;

(b) if so, what is that new herb ;

(c) the steps taken to use that herb to eradicate Malaria ; and

(d) whether Government propose to import large quantities for trials and use in the country pending its development in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Second Road Bridge over Ganga in Varanasi

1476. SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV :
Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the time by which the second road bridge over Ganga in Varanasi is likely to be completed ; and

(b) the progress of construction of the bridge ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) : (a) and (b) The construction of the bridge as such has not been taken in hand. However, activities such as prequalification of contractors etc. for the award of work have been initiated.

Scarcity of Animal Products

1477. SHRI ZAINAL ABEDIN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether scarcity of animal products is of the same magnitude amongst all States as the incidence of malnourished population as revealed by the surveys conducted by National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau of the Medical Research Council since 1972 ; and

(b) if so, the names of States surveyed giving extent of malnourished population, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Government do not have any specific information about the magnitude of the scarcity of animal products. The information collected by National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau surveys do not include production aspects. However, consumption figures in ten states surveyed National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau indicate that intake of animal products is generally low and varies from state to state.

(b) The consumption of animal food and prevalence of malnourished population in ten states surveyed by the National Nutrition Monitoring bureau is as under :