

of Contra-indication has been supplied to the States for distribution to Panchayats, School teachers and other voluntary agencies.

(vi) It is also proposed to orient the Presidents and the secretaries of the Panchayats on Malaria.

(vii) Folder on the role of the Medical practitioners has been supplied to the States for distribution to medical practitioners. Similarly, a pamphlet 'Why Malaria again' has been supplied to the States for distribution to the Deputy Commissioners, Chief Medical Officers and Block Development Officers, for apprising them about the existing problems of malaria and the action proposed to be taken.

(viii) To disseminate the anti-malaria message, special postal stationery has been released by Posts and Telegraphs Departments.

(ix) A.I.R. and Doordarshan have started programmes to educate public on prevention and treatment of Malaria.

#### Fire Proof Aprons for Staff in workshops

9453. SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Staff of Foundry shop of Indian Railway Workshops are being supplied with Fire Proof Aprons and if not, the reasons thereof;

(b) what action is being taken to supply Fire Proof Aprons for the foundry shop staff; and

(c) if Canvas Aprons are treated as Fire Proof then, when necessary enquiries have been scheduled to confirm the same as Fire Proof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

SHEO NARAIN): (a) Certain specific categories of Staff of Foundry shop are provided with Leather/Canvas Aprons.

(b) and (c). Fire proof Aprons are not required to be provided under the Factory Act/Rules and the use of Leather/Canvas Aprons is considered good enough for protection of the body and clothes of the workers, even though Canvas Aprons are not totally Fire Proof.

#### Season Pass Holders

9454. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether daily commuters holding season passes have now to pay heavily increased fares;

(b) whether it is a fact that the daily commuters using the suburban trains in the metropolitan areas are given considerable relief from the said hike in season passes fares; and

(c) if so, reasons for not extending the same relief to other commuters in various parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAN): (a) to (c). From 1st April, 1979 a uniform season ticket fare structure has been introduced in both suburban and non-suburban areas doing away with the distinction in these fares as was obtaining hitherto.

#### रेलवे स्टेशनों पर सड़

9455. श्री राजेश कुमार शर्मा : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यात्रियों को वर्षा और झुप के बचाने के लिए देश के अनेक छोटे रेलवे स्टेशनों पर सड़ों की व्यवस्था नहीं की गई है, जिसके कारण यात्रियों को भारी कठिनाई का सामना करना पड़ता है; और