ernment of India pays stipend at fixed rates to the Medical Officers and the para medical staff.

3. In order to understand the epidemiological aspects like biological, sexual, sociological, ecological an S.T.D. Survey-cum-Detection team has been established at the National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi.

Rate of dividend in Railways for 6th Plan period

6860. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the rates of dividend in Railways have been formulated for 6th Plan period; and
 - (b) if so, how much?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) Pending formulation of the detailed proposals, Railway Convention Committee has recommended continuance of the existing rate of dividend for the first two years of the 6th Plan.

(b) Does not arise.

Representation from temporary Employees

6861. SHRI G. MALLIKARJUNA RAO: Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government received any representation from the temporary employees from Engineering Department, construction and maintenance from Khojipet Depot requesting to absorb them into permanent cadre; and
 - (b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Lower Marks to S.C. and S.T.

6862. SHRI MAHENDRA NARAYAN SARDAR. Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe employees are knowingly failed by awarding them lower marks;
- (b) if not, how many grace marks or relaxations are given to them, whether grace marks are given either in one paper or all papers;
- (c) whether any action has been taken by Railway Administration to declare maximum candidates of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe successful in Appendix III-A Examination held in November, 1978; and
- (d) is it a fact that S.C. and S.T. informations are asked by Railway Board to fill up paper formality only?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) No.

- (b) Before the results of the App. 3 (IREM) Examination are announced, performance of unsuccessful Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes candidates is reviewed so to give grace marks to such of them who may be failing marginally in one or more subjects.
- (c) No action other than that as stated against part (b) above has been taken. The result of App. 3 (IREM) Examination held in November '78 is, however, under compilation.
- (d) No. This is to facilitate awarding of grace marks in deserving cases.

New Nursing College at A.I.I.M.S.

6863. SHRI SHYAM SUNDER GUPTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to set up a new Nursing College at A.I.I.M.S., New Delhi; and