

FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) is it a fact that the emergency department of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Safdarjang Hospital and other Hospitals of Delhi are in complete mess;

(b) how many patients were attended in the last 3 months in the emergency wards of each hospitals in Delhi;

(c) is it a fact that there is no proper accommodation, instruments or medicines available in the emergency;

(d) has Minister visited these emergency wards during the last 3 months; and

(e) what specific steps Government propose to take to improve the conditions of the emergency wards of the hospitals in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RABI RAY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The number of patients attended to in the emergency wards of some of the major Hospitals in Delhi in the last 3 months (June—August 1979) is as under:

(i) Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital	22,496
(ii) Safdarjang Hospital	24,048
(iii) Smt. Sucheta Kriplani Hospital	2,958
(iv) Loknayak J.P. Hospital	20,800

(c) The Delhi Administration has denied that there is any shortage of accommodation, instruments or medicines in the Hospitals under their administrative control. As far as the Central Govt. Hospitals in Delhi are concerned, they are well equipped and medicines are by and large available. As for accommodation, necessary action to augment the same has already been taken, or being taken within overall constraints.

(d) The Minister has visited some of the areas of the Emergency Services Department of the Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital.

(e) To provide found the clock Specialists cover in these hospitals two posts of Specialists each in the faculty of Medicine, Surgery and Orthopaedics have been sanctioned for the Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia and the Safdarjang Hospital. Two posts, each of Specialists in Gynaecology and Paediatrics have been sanctioned for the Smt. Sucheta Kriplani Hospital. One Mobile Coronary unit each at an approximate cost of Rs. 2.5 lakhs alongwith the required number of medical and para-medical staff have also been sanctioned for the three hospitals to strengthen the coronary care services in their Emergency Services Departments.

Reduction in Journey Time of Sahyadri Express

8666. **SHRI RAJARAM SHANKAR RAO MANE:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the journey time of Sahyadri Express running from Kolhapur to Bombay will be shortened according to the demand of the people; and

(b) if so, by how many hours and from what date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) and (b). There is no proposal to speed up 311/312 Bombay-Kolhapur Sahyadri Express at present.

D.T.C. Bus Services from Sarojini Nagar Market to Central Secretariat

8667. **SHRI SHANKERSINHJI VAGHELA:** Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 5336 on the 30th March, 1979 regarding frequency of Bus No. 50 and state:

(a) whether Bus route No. 51, 89 and 815 does not go to North Block. I.e.