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I 9 3 4. Andhra Kesari Yuvajan Samithi, 1976-77 No State Government recommendation. Rajahmundri, ANDHRA PRADESH 5. V.V.S.S. Devasthana, Annav-aram, No State Government recommendation. 1975-76 East Godavari District, ANDHRA PRADESH 6. Leprosy Voluntary SET Centre, No State Government recommendation 1977-78 National Leprosy Control Programwas received for 1977-78. me, Barabanki, UTTAR PRADESH 7. Leprosy Voluntary SET Centre, 1978-79 No State Government recommendation Leprosy Mission, Faizabad, from the State Gevernment. UTTÁR PRADESH 8. Mikir Hills Seva Kendra, Sarihajan, 1976-77 The Institution did neither apply in ASSAM. the relevant year nor did send the Audited Accounts. Also the Utillisation Certificate is pending for the year 1975-76. 9. Gouthami Jeeva Karunaya San-1978-79 Quarterly progress Reports have not gham, Rajahmundri, been received from the institution. ANDHRA PRADESH

## Central grant to Mary Culvert Holdsworth Memorial Hospital; Mysore.

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1558. SHRI HARINATH MISRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Central grant to Mary Gulvert Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, Mysore City, has been stopped; and
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) and (b) Mary Culvert Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, Mysore has not applied so far for a grantin-aid by the Central Government, through the State Government, as prescribed in the procedure laid down for such grantsin-aid.

## Development of Buckingham Canal from Madras to Vellore as inland waterway.

1559. SHRI K. T. KOŞALRAM: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to develop 160 km of Buckingham canal from Madras to Vellore as a regular inland waterways;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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(c) when the project is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b). The Government of India had made available to the State Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu a sum of Rs. 86·23 lakhs for restoration of the Buckingham Canal to its original dimensions under the Fourth and Fifth Five-Year Plans. The State Governments have proposed the further development of the Canal system by widening it from 20 ft. to 30ft. and deepening it from 3 ft. to 6 ft. in the Sixth Five-Year Plan. They have also proposed the development of link canals for inclusion in the Plan.

(c) The State Governments have reported that work on the restoration of canal to its original width and depth has been completed. The Sixth Plan has not yet been finalised.

## Forbesganj-Siliguri Line

1560. SHRI D. L. BAITHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) where there is any proposal for construction of a new railway line to connect