

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL):

(a) to (c) : Double Decker Shuttle Service on route 640 at 9.30 A. M. from Sector 12, R. K. Puram for Central Sectt. has been operating regularly but the trips were missed on 5th and 7th August 1981 due to breakdown and non-availability of other bus at that time. Every effort is being made to ensure regular operation of this trip.

Radiation from X-Rays—A Cause of Cancer in Children

2707. SHRI R. R. BHOLE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a new study on X-rays produced by researcher Ted White of Yale University, which suggests that even low dosage of radiation from X-Rays could cause cancer in children ; and

(b) whether Government would conduct similar study in India to find out the impact of dosage of radiation X-Rays on adults in view of increase in number of cancer case in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) :

(a) Yes. However, the validity of results of the study at Yale University has not been universally accepted.

(b) The causation of cancer has a multifactorial basis and it is difficult to assess the effect of a few diagnostic X-rays done on any person, in the causation of cancer. However, efforts are under way at the Institute Rotary Cancer Hospital at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi to investigate the effect of radiation on children consequent to various X-ray procedures.

Dropping of long distance runner, Shivnath Singh from Tokyo Asian Track.

2708. SHRI K. A. RAJAN : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the ace long distance runner Shivnath Singh was not included for the Tokyo Asian Track and Field Athletic Meet ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ;

(c) whether an enquiry has been made into dropping of the ace long distance runner from the Indian Team ; and

(d) if so, the details and results of the enquiry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI. SHEILA KAUL) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It was decided that only those athletes who attained the third position standard of the last Asian Track and Field Athletic Meet held at Tokyo in June, 1979, should be cleared. Shri Shivnath Singh did not come up to this qualifying standard.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

**गाजियाबाद न्यू रेलवे स्टेशन पर
असामाजिक गतिविधियां**

2709. श्री फूल चन्द वर्मा : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गाजियाबाद का नया रेलवे स्टेशन अपेक्षित स्तर तक उपयोगी साबित नहीं हो रहा है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं,