

(11) *Andaman and Nicobar Islands*
—Information from the Administration has not yet been received.

(c) The following steps have been taken by the Government of India for the successful implementation of the programme:

1. For the co-ordination of work of the various States, additional posts required for the establishment of a separate Directorate at the Malaria Institute of India and six regional organisations in the country have been sanctioned. Necessary action for filling up these posts is being taken.

2. The details of the Malaria Eradication Programme circulated to the State Governments.

3. Planning Commission discussed the details with representatives of the State Governments.

4. The State Governments were requested to make every effort to implement the programme in accordance with the details of work schedule and to accord high priority to the Programme.

5. Supply orders have already been placed for supply of sprayers and stirrup pumps and the supplies as and when received are being despatched to the States.

6. All the jeeps and trucks to be supplied by T.C.M. have been shipped. A part of the supply has been received and is being despatched to the States.

7. 10,680 tons of D.D.T. received from U.S.T.C.M./W.H.O. are under despatch to the States.

8. Arrangement has been made with the Railway Board to give high priority for transport of material required for the Programme.

9. In order to expedite the implementation of the Programme a high level working Committee has been formed at the Centre. The States have also been requested to form such Committees.

10. A publicity week was celebrated from the 23rd to 30th June, 1958, to give publicity to this Programme for enlisting the co-operation of the public.

Delhi Ring Road

117. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state the progress made with regard to the construction of Delhi Ring Road?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (**Shri Raj Bahadur**): A statement showing the progress on the Ring Road round Delhi is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, Annexure No. 57.]

Over-crowding in Trains on Western Railway

118. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to remove or reduce over-crowding in trains on the Western Railway; and

(b) the results thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (**Shri Shah Nawaz Khan**): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, Annexure No. 58.]

T.B. among Children in India

119. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Tuberculosis among children of India is on the increase; and

(b) if so, what are the causes for the increase?

The Minister of Health (**Shri Kar-markar**): (a) and (b) Reliable statistics regarding the incidence of tuberculosis among children in India are not