no Allopathic Hospital had been opened by the Government so far:

- (b) if so, the names of such States/ Union Territories alongwith the reasons;
- (c) whether Government propose to provide at least one such hospital in all the States/Union Territories in the near future; if so, by when; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FA-MILY WELFARE (KUMARI KU-MUDBEN M. JOSHI): (a) to (d) Health is a State subject. According to the information available such hospitals exist in all States/Union Territories. There is no proposal with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to open hospitals in the States/Union Territories.

## Sinking of Shershahsuri Road from Varanasi to Naubatpur

4210. SHRI ZAINUL BASHER: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any advice has been taken by the Central Road Research Institute regarding the sinking of Sharshahsuri Road from Varanasi to Naubatpur; and
- (b) if so, whether the work is proposed to be done on the advice of the Institute?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI):

(a) According to the information available, there is no "sinking" of Shershahsuri Road from Varanasi to Naubatpur as yet. The Govt. of Uttar Pradesh had however approached the Central Road Research Institute sometime back to carry out a study of the pavement behaviour of this

stretch of road with a view to deciding future strengthening of pavement but the Central Road Research Institute have not carried out any study so far, nor any advice has been given by them.

(b) Does not arise.

## First class airconditioned coach attached to Dakshin Express on 6-2-1983

4211. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Airconditioned First Class coach was attached to Dakshin Express which passed through Vijayawada on February 6, 1983;
- (b) whether this coach was meant exclusively for the Minister of State for Railways and his family; and
- (c) what were the circumstances in which this coach was attached to the Dakshin Express?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b). One Air-conditioned Inspection carriage was attached to 22 Up Dakshin Express leaving Hazrat Nizamuddin on 4-2-1983 and 52 Link Express passing through Vijayawada on 6-2-1983 for the journey of Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways.

(c) The provision of the carriage at the disposal of the Minister was unavoidable as the Minister had to carry out inspections enroute.

## Paucity of Funds with Cochin Shipyard

4212. SHRI K. MALLANNA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Cochin Shipyard does not have enough money to pay salaries to the work force;