

(a) whether Government have made any assessment to find out the additional requirement of road transport both for passenger traffic by connecting the remote areas and also carrying goods from one part of the country to another during the remaining part of the plan period ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether Government are aware that financial stringency is hampering the growth of road transport in our country ; and

(d) whether Government propose to lay down the norms whereby the State Road Transport Authorities should give the benefit of road transport to rural people even when it is not remunerative and also improve the present financial allocation so that both the Government and private sector agencies expand the road transport to achieve the above objectives ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) : (a) to (d) The assessment of requirements of passenger Road Transport is a continuous process and forms a part of annual state plan discussions, where requirements of finances and the additionality of physical in-puts are taken into account. Rs. 1125.55 crores are provided for in the States Sector in the Sixth Plan for road transport development. Special transport needs of rural and hilly areas are also kept in view for making financial allocations.

For facilitating inter-state Goods Transport and meeting the additional demands, the requirements of number of National Permits and zonal permits are periodically assessed and revised. The total allocation as of today is 24,900 national permits and 22,196 zonal permits. According to the RBI's policy, all genuine needs of bank finances for purchase of chassis are being met by the banking sector.

रेबीज से हुई मौतों और इसके इलाज के लिये इंजेक्शनों की कमी

9085. श्री हरीश रावत : क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले वर्ष रेबीज से कितने व्यक्ति मरे और क्या यह सच है कि अधिकांश मौतें इस बीमारी के इलाज के लिये अपेक्षित इंजेक्शनों की कमी के कारण हुई हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसकी कमी को दूर करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (कुमारी कुमद बेन एम. जोशी) : (क) मंत्रालय में उपलब्ध अन्तरिम रिपोर्ट के अनुसार वर्ष 1982 के दौरान अलक (रेबीज) से 570 मौतें हुई बतलाई गई हैं। परन्तु इस बीमारी के इलाज के लिये अपेक्षित इंजेक्शनों की कमी के बारे में कोई रिपोर्ट नहीं है।

(ख) यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Survey of Yerraguntla-Nandyala Railway Line

9086 : SHRI K. OBUL REDDY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Yerraguntla-Nandyala railway line will be taken up for survey ;

(b) how much money has been sanctioned for survey work ;

(c) has the survey work begun, if not, when the Government will begin the survey work ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY) : (a) Yes.

(b) Rs. 9.56 lakhs.

(c) Yes, the work has commenced.

पुस्तकें प्रकाशित करने के लिये लेखकों को सहायता

9087. श्री कृष्ण प्रताप सिंह : क्या शिक्षा और संस्कृति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार लेखकों को स्थानीय और क्षेत्रीय भाषाओं में उनके द्वारा लिखी गई