

children, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is considering a much higher outlay during 1984-85.

The Integrated Child Development Services Scheme of the Ministry of Social Welfare provides a package of services to mothers and children below six years comprising supplementary nutrition, immunisation, health check, referral services, etc. The number of I.C.D.S. projects is gradually increased to expand the area of coverage under the scheme.

Strength of Doctors and Non-availability of Medicines in CGHS Dispensary, Laxmibai Nagar

2555. SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA PANDEY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of doctors sanctioned for Laxmibai Nagar, CGHS dispensary, New Delhi ;

(b) whether the sanctioned strength of doctors commensurate with the number of beneficiaries ;

(c) whether Government are aware that generally there are 2 to 3 doctors at a time in the Dispensary and the Dispensary is over crowded ;

(d) if so, the action taken to ease this situation ;

(e) whether it is a fact that most of the medicines in this Dispensary are not available and the patients have to wait for weeks to get the medicines as such the patients are put to great difficulties ;

(f) the action taken to provide prompt supply of medicine to the patients ;

(g) whether there are less Pharmacists in this Dispensary large number of pa-

tients have to wait for hours to get the medicines ; and

(h) if so, the action taken to ease this situation ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI) : (a) Seven.

(b) Yes.

(c) and (d) There are occasions when more than one doctor has to proceed on leave and no substitute can be immediately provided by the Zonal Office due to general shortage of doctors under CGHS Delhi, but efforts are always made to have at least 3 doctors on duty at a time.

(e) and (f) There is some general shortage of medicines in the dispensaries. However, the Medical Officers Incharge have been authorised to keep a buffer stock for 15 days of all formulary items through local purchase from Super Bazar.

(g) and (h) There is no shortage of Pharmacists in this dispensary.

Publication of Third Edition of Indian Railways Establishment Manual

2556. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARYA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Second Edition of Indian Railways Establishment Manual was published last on 1 April, 1968 ;

(b) how many correction slips have been issued to the Manual since 1 April, 1968 ;

(c) whether the Government have any proposal to publish the Third Edition of the Manual since a lot of

changes have taken place since 1 April, 1968; and also after the publication of the report of Third Central Pay Commission;

(d) if so, when the Third Edition is expected to be published; and

(e) reasons why the Third Edition has not been published so far?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One hundred thirty-five (135) correction slips have been issued so far.

(c) to (e) The need for publishing a revised edition of the Establishment Manual incorporating the various corrections, additions, etc. is recognised. The new edition unlike the previous one will be diglot edition containing English and Hindi versions of the Manual. The preliminary work has already been taken in hand. However, since the basic material content of the Manual is derived from the Indian Railway Establishment Code, which itself is under a major revision, the publication of the revised Manual will be suitably timed to follow quickly after the publication of the revised Establishment Code.

Utilisation of Old Port of Tuticorin

2557. **SHRI D.S.A. SIVAPRAKASHAM:** Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any long standing arrangements have been made so that Old Port of Tuticorin in Tamil Nadu does not become useless and abandoned;

(b) if so, what are those arrangements; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to make arrangements for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) 'B' Zone of Tuticorin (erstwhile minor port of Tuticorin) is an integral and operational port of the major port of Tuticorin. During the years 1981-82 and 1982-83, 466082 and 471829 tonnes of traffic were handled in this zone respectively. This year upto November, 1983, 254959 tonnes of traffic has been handled in this zone. The fact that the zone is fully operational shows that all requisite measures to maintain it in that form being taken.

(b) and (c) During the current 6th Plan period, Rs. 49.70 lakhs have been sanctioned for the improvement of zone 'B' of the Port. This includes the maintenance dredging alongside the whaft, putting up of additional transit shed, storage yard etc.

Haulage, Maintenance and Operating Cost for Steam Engines

2558. **SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:**
SHRI SURAJ BHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) in the year 1982-83 what was the average number of broad gauge steam engines on line, how much was their gross tonne kilometre haulage and what was the maintenance and operating cost for them;

(b) what are the comparative figures for the same period of steam, diesel and electric engines; and

(c) comparative figures for the first six months of 1983-84 of the 3 types of engines?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURI): (a) to (c) A statement giving the information is attached.