

(b) if so, when the results of this examination will be laid on the Table?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Sachindra Chaudhuri):** (a) and (b). The question of distribution of income is being examined by the "Committee on Distribution of Income and Levels of Living". The Committee has so far submitted only Part I of its report, which has already been placed on the Table of the House. Part II of the Committee's report is yet to be received by the Government.

**Upgradation of Cities for Grant of City Compensatory and House Rent Allowances**

1258. **Shri Madhu Limaye:**  
**Shri Bagri:**  
**Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:**  
**Shri Kishen Pattanayak:**  
**Shrimati Ramdulari Sinha:**

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have examined afresh the proposal for the up-gradation of cities for the purposes of City Compensatory and House Rent allowance; and

(b) if so, the results of the latest examination?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Sachindra Chaudhuri):** (a) No, Sir. There is no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

**Municipalities in New Industrial Townships**

1259. **Shri Madhu Limaye:**  
**Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:**

Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have examined the question of establishing municipalities in new public townships like Durgapur, Bhilai, Rourkela, etc. and proprietary townships like Tatanagar, Rawalgaon, Walchandnagar, Dalmianagar etc.;

(b) whether they have made any recommendations to the States in matter of conferring civic rights on the people there; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the negative, whether any other steps are contemplated?

**The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar):** (a) No.

(b) No.

(c) The subject "Local Self-Government" forms part of the State List in the Constitution of India. Setting up of municipalities is, therefore, primarily the concern of the State Governments concerned. The question of setting up of municipalities at the industrial townships like Rourkela, Bhilai, Jamshedpur, Durgapur and small townships like Heavy Electricals Ltd. near the city of Bhopal and Indian Telephone Industry and Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. etc. near Bangalore was considered by the Rural Urban Relationship Committee which was constituted by the Ministry of Health & Family Planning on the recommendations of the Central Council of Local Self-Government. The recommendations of that Committee will be examined by the Central and State Governments and appropriate action will be taken by them.

**Epidemics in Areas Bordering East Pakistan**

1260. **Shri Shree Narayan Das:**  
**Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya:**

Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state whether any and if so, what steps have been taken to prevent the spreading of epidemics such as Cholera, typhoid and small-pox which have broken out in several districts of East Pakistan on the border of India due to acute drought conditions prevailing there?

**The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar):** Owing