

Introduction of Computerised Services in AIIMS

*776. SHRI R. M. BHOYE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi is considering the introduction of computerised services on a small scale in certain departments ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along-with the objectives in view ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Computerisation in All India Institute of Medical Sciences has been under consideration in consultation with the National Informatic Centre of the Department of Electronics. The National Informatic Centre have been requested to furnish a feasibility report which will identify the priority areas, proper technology and financial requirements. A final decision in the matter will be taken only after examining the various implications of the proposal. The idea behind introducing computers is to aid the efficiency of Health Services and Hospital Administration.

Research on cure of Dengu Fever

*778. SHRI B. V. DESAI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the development of vaccine for protection against Dengu fever and research on viral hepatitis have been taken up as priority programme with the collaboration of the World Health Organisation ;

(b) if so, whether there is an increasing public concern in the South Asia region about this disease ;

(c) whether the number of patients suffering with this disease has increased in India ;

(d) if so, the total number of deaths due to this disease during the last one year ; and

(e) what steps Government have taken to check this disease which spread in many parts of the country during March/April, 1985 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :

(a) Development of vaccine against Dengue has not been carried out so far. The research on Viral Hepatitis was taken up in collaboration with World Health Organisation. Nine National Surveillance Centres have been identified and strengthened in different States.

(b) Dengue fever has been a matter of public health concern in South East Asia particularly in Barma, Indonesia and Thailand. Viral Hepatitis occurs in sporedic, endemic and epidemic from in whole of South East Asia.

(c) Incidence of dengue fever in India have shown declining trend since 1983.

The reports received from the States during the last three years do not indicate any appreciable increase in jaundice cases, excepting in certain pockets.

(d) While no death due to Dengue fever has been reported during 1984, 1925 deaths have been reported during 1984 due to jaundice.

(e) The National Institute of Communicable Diseases has been maintaining epidemiological surveillance through regular collection of information from sentinel centres. Nine National Surveillance Centres have been identified in different States.

Uri Hydrel Project in Jammu and Kashmir

*780. PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :