

(c) A pilot project to explore preventive programmes has been started by the Indian Council of Medical Research at Delhi and Hyderabad. Constant efforts are also being made to improve the standard of medical care and health education.

#### Retrenchment in Family Welfare Centres

\*519. SHRI K. MALLANNA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any retrenchment in the staff employed in various Family Welfare Centres working under the Ministry during last one year;

(b) if so, the number of such employees retrenched Centre-wise; and

(c) the arrangements made to absorb the affected employees in other departments etc.?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAJ NARAIN): (a) The Government of India have not issued any orders relating to retrenchment of staff in Family Welfare Centres under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare during the last one year. As such the question of retrenchment of staff does not arise.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

#### Rock Phosphate Deposits at Jhameer Kotra, Rajasthan

\*523. SHRI S. S. SOMANI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that rock phosphate deposits at Jhameer Kotra in Rajasthan has been assessed as one of the richest deposits in the world;

(b) whether it is a fact that the World Bank has shown a keen interest in aiding a beneficiation plant at Jhameer Kotra; and

(c) if so, the details regarding the interest shown by the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI BIJU PATNAIK): (a) Rock Phosphate deposit at Jhameer Kotra is the richest deposit known so far in the country. However, quantitatively, this deposit is a small one compared to deposits in U.S.A., U.S.S.R. and Africa where much larger deposits of better quality rock phosphate exist.

(b) and (c). At the instance of the Government of India, in 1973 the World Bank got a feasibility report prepared on Jhameer Kotra deposit. After review of this report by a Committee set up by the Government of India, it was decided to carry out further tests on beneficiation and to get the mine feasibility report prepared. A World Bank Review Mission held discussions with the Governments of India and of Rajasthan and the Rajasthan State Mines and Minerals Ltd. in June, 1977, when progress on the Jhameer Kotra project was reviewed. It has now been decided that since the feasibility report on the project may be ready only by the end of 1978-79, the World Bank may be involved at that stage only.

#### महाप्रबन्धक टेलीफोन

\*524. श्री किरंगी प्रसाद : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या कुछ वर्ष पूर्व उनके मंत्रालय के अन्तर्गत पी० एम० जो० (डाक तथा तार) के पद के समान महाप्रबन्धक टेलीफोन के नये पद बनाये गए थे तथा क्या इन पदों के अधिकाधिक्य के बंटन, आवास आदि जैसे अनेक शीर्षों के अन्तर्गत भारी व्यय किया जा रहा है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान दूरसंचार विभाग में कितनी कार्यकुशलता

बड़ी तथा कितना लाभ प्राप्त हुआ (जो पहले कभी नहीं प्राप्त हुआ था) ; और

(ग) इस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

सचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री भरहरि प्रसाद सुखदेव साय) (क) से (ग) देश में दूरसंचार सेवाओं के विस्तार के अनुरूप और विकास संबंधी कार्यक्रमों को अधिक कारगर तरीके से और तालमेल के साथ कार्यान्वित करने के लिए वर्ष 1974 में डाक-तार विभाग का पुनर्गठन किया गया था। इस पुनर्गठन में अधिकांशतः मौजूदा पदों में से कुछ पदों का पदमान बदल दिया गया था और कुछ नये पदों की रचना की गई थी। इसके साथ ही कुछ मौजूदा पद त्याग दिए गए थे। इस पुनर्गठन में अनिश्चित व्यय नहीं हुआ। विभाग की दूरसंचार शाखा ने वर्ष 1974-75 1975-76 और 1976-77 के दौरान कुल मिलाकर क्रमशः 259.5 करोड़ रुपये 315.7 करोड़ रुपये और 425.3 करोड़ रुपये का रास्वज अर्जित किया था और इसमें उभे क्रमशः 38.12 करोड़ रुपये 43.33 करोड़ रुपये और 131.6 करोड़ रुपये का लाभ हुआ। इन तीन वर्षों में दौरान देश में दूरसंचार सेवाओं का बड़ी तेजी से विस्तार हुआ है। इसके साथ ही इन सेवाओं के कार्यकरण में सुधार लाने के लिए नवाचार प्रयत्न भी किया गया है।

#### Supply of Gur to Dusting Employees

\*525 SHRI AHMED M PATEL Will the Minister of PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state

(a) whether 'Gur' is being supplied in the Industrial units to the labourers who are working in workshop (moulding departments) where dust is prevailing, and

(b) whether there is any scheme to provide "Gur" in Government Offices

to employees employed on cleaning and dusting work which is very essential for maintaining their health?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENT-ARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA) (a) No Sir. Government are not aware of such supply

(b) There is no such scheme

#### Restructuring of C G H S

\*526 SHRI VASANT SATHE Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal for restructuring the C G H Scheme, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAJ NARAIN) (a) No Sir

(b) Does not arise

#### Sterilisation Cases

\*527 SHRI B P MANDAL Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) the number of vasectomy and sterilisation operations performed in the period between March 1977—March 1978,

(b) the number of the above operations performed in March 1976—March 1977,

(c) the budgetary grants in March 1976—March 1977 and March 1977—March 1978 separately, and

(d) in view of the vast difference, how the budgeted money in the latter period of March 1977—March 1978 has been spent?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAJ NARAIN) (a) to (d) A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha