

the details of such cases and the action taken against those involved ;

(d) whether Government propose in the near future to form State levels and National level committees to curb such offences ;

(e) if so, when and how and if not, the reasons thereby ;

(f) what other steps the Government propose to take to curb that menace ; and

(g) what protection, remuneration and encouragement will be given to informers of these adulterators, etc. ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Delhi Administration has indicated that there are instances of adulteration of food articles by unscrupulous traders and businessmen.

(b) During the current year upto the end of November, 1981, 1501 samples were lifted from various places of Delhi and 104 samples were found not conforming to the standard and action is being taken against defaulters.

(c) No death has come to the notice of the Delhi Administration.

(d) and (e). At the National level, there is the Central Committee for Food Standards and some States have formed State Level Committees.

(f) and (g). The State Governments are being asked to strengthen the machinery for the effective implementation of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act.

Widening of the Road between Garamura and Swarghat in Himachal Pradesh

*490. **PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR :** Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the widening of the existing road between Garamura and Swarghat (from Km. 82 to Km. 94) in Bilaspur District of Himachal Pradesh to the National Highway standards has been undertaken by the Government of India at an estimated cost of over Rs. 33 lakhs ;

(b) if so, the date from which the construction has been sanctioned and undertaken ;

(c) the likely date by which the widening of the road would be completed ; and

(d) if not, the likely dates by which the sanction would be given and construction would be started along with the reasons for the delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) to (d). The work of widening the existing road from Km. 82 to 94 of National Highway No. 21 in Bilaspur District of Himachal Pradesh is included in the Annual Plan 1981-82 at an estimated cost of Rs. 50.00 lakhs. An estimate amounting to Rs. 37.295 lakhs for widening of formation and improving geometrics in this length has been received from the State Public Works Department and is being sanctioned. The work is expected to be completed by 1984-85.