

Family Welfare Programme and quicken the pace of its implementation so that demographic goals set out in the 7th Five Year Plan are achieved. On the basis of performance statements received from the State Governments every month, progress of implementation of Family Welfare Programme is regularly monitored and reviewed.

Improvement of Calcutta-Bombay National Highway

2551. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the condition of the Calcutta-Bombay National Highway in the State of West Bengal is in very bad shape particularly the section between Basantapur bordering Kharagpur local police station and Debra police station in Midnapur district;

(b) the amount sanctioned for its repair and improvement during last one year and the actual expenditure incurred; and

(c) the steps proposed to improve the condition of the National Highway?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) National Highway 6 in West Bengal though suffered considerable damages during the monsoon of 1984 and 1985 is now in traffic-worthy condition. The section from Basantapur to Debra has the problem of settlement and appropriate measures have been taken for the same.

(b) Various repair and improvement works aggregating to nearly Rs. 160 lakhs for National Highway 6 in West Bengal have been sanctioned between February, 1986 which include Rs. 27.00 lakhs for Debra (km. 108) to Khargapur (km. 135) section. Against this an expenditure of Rs. 64.4 lakhs has been incurred upto February, 1986.

(c) There is a programme to sanction improvement works costing Rs. 151 lakhs on National Highway No. 6 in West

Bengal during 1986-87 in addition to Maintenance and Repair works for the State.

Building for All India Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Bombay

2552. SHRI P. SHANMUGAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a new building for All India Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Bombay was sanctioned by Government;

(b) if so, when the building was completed and what costs and how it is being utilised now; and

(c) whether there is any proposal for starting post-graduate courses in the Centre on Rehabilitation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main building was completed in February, 1977 and the extension was completed in August 1979. The total cost of construction was Rs. 27.37 lakhs. The All India Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Bombay is the full-fledged Centre in the field of rehabilitation with the functions of teaching, training, research and production of mechanical and artificial appliances.

(c) The Institute is already running several postgraduate courses on various disciplines of rehabilitation.

Publicity regarding compensation to victims of road accidents

2553. SHRIMATI MADHUREE SINGH : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is fact that most of the victims of road accidents in the capital do not get compensation due to ignorance of the public about the procedure and facilities available; and