

Introduction of a Day Train between Mangalore/Trivandrum and Madras

4314. DR. K.C. ADIYODI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to consider the growing demand as well as the request of the State Government to introduce a day train between Mangalore/Trivandrum and Madras as all the existing trains to Madras from Kerala are night trains; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b). There is no such proposal at present.

Agreement with UNICEF to Provide Services to Children

4315. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Five Year Master Plan aimed at initiating, expanding and accelerating services benefiting children was signed recently between Union Government and United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF);

(b) if so, the salient features of the plan; and

(c) details of the financial aspects of the plan and number of children to be benefited each year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN'S WELFARE (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). UNICEF cooperates in India's child survival and development programmes, especially these relating to health, education, nutrition, water supply, sanitation, prevention of destitution and disability, information and communication support, research, monitoring and evaluation. A total assistance equal to US \$ 175.0 millions from general resources and US \$ 52.3 millions

from noted funds is expected from UNICEF during the five year period 1985-89. The number of children benefited by UNICEF cannot be indicated separately because UNICEF only extends cooperation for some mutually agreed components of the programmes taken up by the Government and non-governmental organisations.

Cat Scanners in Safdarjung Hospital

4316. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi has no cat scanners; and

(b) If so, steps taken to provide cat scanners to Safdarjung Hospital?

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

(b) The possibilities of obtaining a CAT Scanner for Safdarjung Hospital are being explored consistent with the availability of resources.

Conversion of Polytechnics into Vocational College

4317. SHRI SATYENDRA NARAYAN SINHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have any plan to convert polytechnics into vocational colleges; and

(b) if not, in what other way the facilities of these institutions are proposed to be utilised in the new scheme of vocational education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) By some of the identified polytechnics, designated as Community polytechnics, extension centres have been established to provide technical skills through non formal vocational courses/training especially in rural