THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY (KUMARI WELFARE KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) The process of investigating safe flouride level in toothpaste which is non-injurious to health and bones is continuing with the Drugs Controller (India).

Implementation of Nutrition Programme in ICDS Blocks of Karnataka

- 2513. SHRI SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether nutrition programme has been implemented in some Integrate Child Development Services blocks in Karnataka during 1985-86;
- (b) if so, the number of ICDS blocks in Karnataka covered under the nutrition programme in the above year;
- (c) whether Government have a proposal to extend the nutrition programme to all the ICDS blocks in Karnataka;
- (d) if so, what progress has been made in this regard in 1986-87; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORT AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES **DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET** ALVA): (a) and (b) Under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) programme, which provides Inter-alla supplementary nutrition to children up to the age of 6 years, pregnant women and nursing mothers, 86 projects had been Sanctioned in Karnataka up-to 1985-86. These projects included Sports sanctioned in 1985-86.

(c) It is proposed that the ICDS programme should be expanded throughout the country, including Karnataka, in a phased manner.

(d) and (e) In 1986-87, 8 ICDS projects been sanctioned for Karnataka, bringing the total number of such projects in the State to 94 (64 Centrally Sponsored and 30 State Sector ICDS Projects).

Proposal for Indo-Swedish Collaboration on Transport

2514. SHRI D. N. REDDY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for Indo-Swedish collaboration in the field of transport; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Health Centres Opened in Chambal Division of Madhya Pradesh

2515. SHRI KAMMODILAL JATVA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the number of Health Centres opened in Chambal Division of Madhya Pradesh during the period from 1983 to 1985 and the names of the places where these were opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): The information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Water Going Waste Into Sea

2517. SHRI K. RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) how much of water out of its total quantity available in all the rivers is being used for irrigation and the quantity going waste into the sea:
- (b) the amount of money needed to use all the water in the rivers for irrigation: and
- (c) whether it would be possible to use all the water in the rivers for irrigation by end of this century?

OF WATER MINISTER THE RESOURCES (SARI B. SHANKARA-NAND): (a) Owing hydrological, to environmental and other topographic, limitations, only a part of the total available water resources can be put to use. Approximately half of the utilisable water resources is being used for irrigation. No estimate of the water flowing down to the sea is available.

(b) and (c) It is not practicable to use all the river waters for irrigation purposes since water is also required for other purposes. The cost of utilisation of waters for irrigation purposes will depend upon the availability of resources and priority accorded for taking up water resources and priority accorded for taking up water resources development projects.

Pachartal-Agartala Railway Line

2518. SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of survey report for construction of railway line from Pachartal to Agartala;
- (b) whether Government have proposal to include the scheme for construction of the said railway line in the Seventh Five Year Plan; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE OF **RAILWAYS** MINISTRY (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA); (a) Construction of Metre Gauge railway line from Dharmanagar to Kumarghat is an approved on-going work. Updating of Preliminary Engineering-cum-Traffic Survey for further extension of the line from Kumarghat to Agartala has been done. Estimated cost of construction of the 130 kms. long line is Rs. 283 crores.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Due to severe constraint of resources.

Distribution of Ambulances to States

2519. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of ambulances allotted to various States during the last three years ;
- (b) whether the number of ambulances allotted to Uttar Pradesh is quite inadequate in view of the population of the State:
- (c) if so, whether Government have received any representation from the State Government in this regard: and
- (d) if so, the action being taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): There is no scheme to supply ambulances to States.

(b) to (d) Question does not arise.

Guidelines for Construction of Safe Bridges

2520. DR. CHINTA MOHAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether guidelines for construction of safe bridges are being ignored leading to collapse of bridges such as Nehru Bridge over Mandovi river in Goa; and