

PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that that in all the big cities and towns, water problem has become acute due to doubling or trebling of their population during the last decade ;

(b) whether any proposals or schemes have been received from the State Governments ;

(c) the names of the States, and the amounts required by them ; and

(d) the decisions taken on them ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI A. K. KISKU) : (a) Yes. The problem of water supply has generally been accentuated in most of the big cities due to increase in population.

(b) to (d). The responsibility for drawing up the water supply schemes, allocation of funds and implementation thereof rests solely with the State Governments. The State Governments are being given Central assistance on block loan and block grant basis for all development schemes including urban water supply schemes without reference to any particular scheme. During the Fourth Plan, an allocation of Rs. 277 crores has been made under urban water supply and sanitation sector under the National Water Supply and Sanitation Programme. However, schemes of certain specified categories are required to be approved by the Government of India which is given after examining the technical and other aspects.

Assistance to Private Medical Colleges

852. **SHRI S. R. DAMANI** : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have formulated any policy and earmarked funds for

giving assistance to private Medical Colleges ; and

(b) if so, the criteria for giving assistance either by way of grants or loans ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI A.K. KISU) : (a) There is a scheme in the Fourth Five Year Plan, with a total Plan allocation of Rs. 50,00 lakhs for the grant of assistance to private Medical Colleges in the country.

(b) Rules for the grant of financial assistance to Private Medical Colleges are being finalised.

Family Planning Scheme in Kollar District, Mysore

853. **SHRI G.Y. KRISHNAN** : Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether the performance of the Family Planning Scheme has been very poor in the Kollar District of Mysore ; and

(b) whether Government were in a position to use song and drama programmes and other mass communication media to greater effect to induce in the rural population to take to Family Planning ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRALAYA MEN RAJYA MANTRI) (SHRI D.P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) : (a) A statement of progress of Sterilisation and I. U. C. D. during the past 4 years is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-1260/71.*]

(b) The Government of India is already utilising the traditional media of song and drama for promoting the family planning programme, specially in the rural areas.

Six Song and Drama Units in the regions and one Unit at the Headquarters of the

Song and Drama Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting organise programmes on Family Planning through the local parties registered with Song and Drama Division. Four Programme troupes are working directly under the Song and Drama Division which also arrange various kinds of performances.

Funds have also been allocated to the State Government for sponsoring local troupes for promoting the programme.

Supply of Drinking Water to Coalfield Areas in Raniganj, West Bengal

854. SHRI MUHAMMAD ISMAIL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have agreed to finance the entire cost for implementing the scheme for the supply of drinking water to the coalfield areas in Raniganj, West Bengal ;

(b) if so, the approximate of cost ; and

(c) the time by which it will be undertaken ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SWASTHYA AUR PARIWAR NIYOJAN MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI A. K. KISKU) : (a) and (b). The Raniganj Coalfield Area Water Supply Scheme was prepared by the Government of West Bengal in three parts. The total cost of the entire Scheme is estimated at Rs. 7.70 crores. The Government of India approved the First and Second Parts of the Scheme in March, 1966 estimated to cost Rs. 3.5 and Rs. 3.28 crores respectively. The financing pattern of the First Part has been decided as under :—

(i) Loan to be given by the Government of India as cost of the Urban

Component. Rs. 0.56 crores

(ii) Contribution from the Coalmen Labour Welfare Organisation. Rs. 1.00 crores

(iii) Subsidy from the Govt. of India for the rural component. Rs. 0.99 crores

(iv) State Government's share. Rs. 0.99 crores

Total : Rs. 3.54 crores

(c) The First Part of the Scheme has already been in execution for the last four years and is reported to be rearing completion.

राजस्थान में पेट्रोलियम की खोज

855. श्री पन्नालाल बाहूपाल : क्या पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि : (क) राजस्थान के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में, विशेषकर जैसलमेर जिले में, गत कुछ वर्षों से की जा रही पेट्रोलियम की खोज के सम्बन्ध में कितनी प्रगति हुई है ; और

(ख) वर्ष 1968 से 1970 तक उपयुक्त खोज करवाने में लगे उन के विभाग में कुल कितना व्यय हुआ है और उसके क्या परिणाम निकले हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्री (श्री पी. सी. सेठी) : (क) भूगर्भविज्ञान विभाग की सामान्य विचारों के आधार पर, राजस्थान में तेल/गैस की संभावनाएं जैसलमेर जिले के उत्तर-पश्चिमी भाग, जालौर जिले के संचौर क्षेत्र और बीकानेर जिले के सीमान्त क्षेत्र तक सीमित प्रतीत होती हैं। इन क्षेत्र में सर्वेक्षण किये गये हैं और अब भी सर्वेक्षण कार्य जारी है।