

to disruption in the exchange of inter-country epidemic reports during and after the last confrontation, the accurate position in regard to the outbreak of epidemics in East Pakistan is not known. At Haridaspur check-post which is the only recognised check-post between India and East Pakistan 1964 persons were inoculated against cholera and 1684 persons vaccinated against small-pox from among the migrants moving to India from East Pakistan. No case of cholera or small-pox has been reported from Bangaon Sub-division where this check-post operates. Typhoid is not a notified disease. The following preventive measures have been taken:—

- (i) Public Health Staff have been posted to each recognised border post and every entrant into the Indian Union is given vaccination and inoculation before he is issued with a border-slip of migration.
- (ii) The Public Health Staff made contact with the migrating families to vaccinate and inoculate those who had been left out.
- (iii) The Block Development Officers, Anchal Prodhans and Adhakhoyas etc., have been advised to intimate to the local health authorities the arrival of any person from East Pakistan by other than normal routes so that he may be vaccinated and inoculated.

#### Rural Water Supply Schemes

1261. **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:**  
**Shri Hem Raj:**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Planning** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any devolution of powers of scrutiny and sanction from the Central Government to the State Governments in the matter of rural water supply schemes; and

(b) if no, the nature, extent and purpose of the devolution and the manner in which it is working?

**The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar):** (a) Yes.

(b) The State Governments have been authorised to approve rural water supply schemes costing upto Rs. 5 lakhs and urban schemes costing upto Rs. 10 lakhs provided the Schemes are drawn up in accordance with the guidelines indicated by the Central Public Health Engineering Organisation, which were finalised in consultation with State Public Health Engineers.

The delegation has been made to expedite implementation of water supply schemes.

It is too early to assess working of this delegation of powers.

#### Rajasthan Canal Project

1262. **Shri Rameshwaranand:**  
**Dr. L. M. Singhvi:**  
**Shri Hukam Chand**  
**Kachhavaia;**  
**Shri Raghunath Singh:**

Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are taking any special steps to accelerate the completion of the Rajasthan Canal Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed):** (a) and (b). The main difficulty in the way of speedy execution of the Rajasthan Canal Project has been the inadequacy of funds which are to be found from within the resources of the State Government. To overcome this difficulty, the taking over of the execution of the Project by the Centre is under consideration. **Efforts**

are also being made to place more funds at the disposal of the State Government for this Project.

(c) Does not arise.

बम्बई में बरामद गांजा

1263. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :  
श्री रामेश्वरानन्द :  
श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अप्रैल, 1966 के अन्तिम हप्ताह में पुलिस ने बम्बई में तीन लाख रुपये से अधिक मूल्य का गांजा बरामद किया ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में कितने व्यक्ति गिरफ्तार किये गये ; और

(ग) उनके विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

वित्त मंत्री (श्री सचीन्द्र चौधरी) : (क) 25 अप्रैल, 1966 को भ्रष्टाचार विरोधी और मद्यनिशेध गुप्तचर्या कार्यालय, बम्बई, ने मुलुन्द शुल्कदार (पुलिस जांच नाका) मुलुन्द, बम्बई के निकट एक ट्रक से तीन लाख रुपये से अधिक मूल्य का गांजा पकड़ा जिसका वजन 1175 किलो था।

(ख) चार।

(ग) मामले की जांच-पड़ताल अभी भी चल रही है।

#### Shortage of Doctors

1264. Shri Linga Reddy:  
Shri P. B. Chakraverti:

Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to refer to the answer given to the Starred Question No. 748 on the 24th March, 1966 and state:

(a) the extent to which the shortage of doctors is eased in the country;

(b) whether the medical services have been made attractive by providing high grades; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to institute an All-India Medical Service cadre?

The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) There is no significant change. A statement showing the number of primary health centres functioning on 31-3-1966 and 30-6-1966 and the number of such centres without Doctors is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-6662/66].

(b) Most of the States have revised the scales of pay of doctors employed in rural areas. The scales of pay and other facilities for such medical officers are being reviewed from time to time. A statement showing the latest position regarding pay, allowances and incentives, etc. given to medical officers employed in primary health centres, is also laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-6662/66.]

(c) Yes Sir. The Ministry of Home Affairs are already taking necessary steps to constitute an All-India Medical and Health Services.

#### Power Shortage in Kerala

1265. Shri Vasudevan Nayar: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1405 on the 28th April, 1966 and state the further measures taken by Government to meet the power shortage in Kerala?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed): The following measures have been taken to meet the power shortage in Kerala:

(i) The first generating unit (18 MW) at Sholayar and the first and second generating units (50 MW each) at Sabarigiri have gone into opera-