GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RAILWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3355 ANSWERED ON:13.03.2003 EXPENDITURE ON MEDICAL FACILITIES RITA VERMA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the average monthly expenditure on the medical treatment of a railway employee and their dependents;

(b) whether the fund provided under the head of medical facility is considered sufficient;

(c) if not, whether any proposal to increase this allocation is under consideration;

(d) the average per capita medical expenditure in the Dhanbad Division of Central-East Railway;

(e) the expenditure incurred on the purchase of drugs in this railway division during the last three years as on 15th February 2003; and

(f) the reasons for the gap between demand of Drugs and departmental supply?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) The average monthly expenditure on medical services being provided by Railway is Rs.242/-(appox.) per employee (including dependents).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Per capita expenditure on Dhanbad Division of East Central Railway is Rs.266/- per month.

(e) The expenditure booked on procurement of drugs in Dhanbad division of Central East Railway during the last three years upto 15/02/2003 is given below:-

Year Expenditure

2000-2001	Rs.	39,28,527/-
2001-2002	Rs.	54,19,816/-
2002-2003	Rs.	40,71,483/-#

The expenditure is upto 15th Feb. 2003 only. Most of the Expenditure is booked during the month of March every year.

(a) (f) From time to time, based on the need, budget allocations are made and this is working satisfactorily.