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Sale of Rail tickets in Blackmarket

*78. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : SHRI KAMLA PRASAD RAWAT : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in Indian Express dated 26 October, 1985 under the caption "Rail tickets black-marketing galore"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is a fact that some unauthorised travel agents are carrying on business in securing rail tickets and reservations on behalf of passengers on realising service charges from them. The Supreme Court has directed introduction of a scheme for Authorisation of Rail Travellers' Service Agents by the Railways. The requisite scheme has since been finalised and issued to the Railways, who have been directed to select suitable travel agents who may be authorised to do this work.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[English]

National Health Education Programme

*62. SHRI CHITTA MAHATA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Health Education Programme has made little progress in imparting correct knowledge about protection against various infectious diseases like tuberculosis, cholera, typhoid and polio ; and

(b) if so, to what extent the progress has been made in each State and, if not, the reasons therefore and what further steps Government propose to take in this regard during the Seventh Five Year Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI) :

(a) and (b) A statement is given below.

Statement

(a) and (b) Health Education programme is carried out in the States by the respective State Health Departments. The Central Government provides facilities for training and acts as a technical resource through the Central Health Education Bureau, New Delhi. The level and quality of implementation of Health Education programme in all States is not uniform. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare propose to develop and promote Health Education services further during the Seventh Five-Year Plan period by intensifying the training activities in Central Health Education Bureau. For imparting correct knowledge about protection against various infectious diseases like Tuberculosis, Polio, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Measles, a programme for Universal Immunisation has been launched. Health Education is an important component of Universal Immunisation Programme.

Model Schools in each District

*64. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have drawn up any programme for opening model national schools in each district of the country so as to provide instructions to the academically brilliant children of the rural areas ;

(b) if so, the main characteristics of the programme and the names of the districts selected for this purpose ; and

(c) the likely date by which the schools would be opened ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI) :

(a) and (b) The Government of India propose to establish model schools one in each district with the following main characteristics :

(1) Quality ; (2) Social Justice ; education will be available irrespective of the parents' capacity to pay ; (3) Merit-based ; (4) Utility and social purpose, conforming to national policy ; (5) Having largely rural coverage ; and (6) Fostering national integration.

(c) The schools will be opened in a phased manner during the Seventh Plan period. The phasing will be finalised shortly.

[Translation]

Proposal to declare Water Resources as National Wealth

*66. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to declare water resources as national wealth by restricting the States rights in this regard ; and

(b) if not, the policy of the Government in regard to the settlement of major inter-State water disputes ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Inter-State Water Disputes are sought to be resolved through a process of negotiations ; failing which by a process of adjudication under the Inter-State Water Disputes Act, 1956.

[English]

Promotion of Family Planning Programme

*77. SHRI B.B. RAMAIAH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Council of Health and Central Family Welfare Council at the Joint Conference held in New Delhi in the first week of September, 1985 discussed various suggestions for promoting Family Planning ;

(b) if so, the suggestions considered ; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI) :

(a) to (c) The 11th Joint Conference of the Central Council of Health (CCH) and Central Family Welfare Council (CFWC) was held at New Delhi from September 2-5, 1985.

The recommendations of the Councils on Family Welfare Programme are given in the statement below.

The broad policy guidelines for the Family Welfare Programme are formulated by the Central Government whereas the programme implementation is done basically by the States/UTs. The programme policies and strategies are being continuously reviewed and redesigned and while doing so, recommendations made by the Councils are duly taken into account.

Statement

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ELEVENTH JOINT CONFERENCE OF THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF HEALTH AND THE CENTRAL FAMILY WELFARE COUNCIL HELD ON SEPTEMBER, 2, 3, 4 and 5, 1985.

Family Welfare Programme including MCH and Immunization :

The 11th Joint Conference of the Central Council of Health (CCH) and Central Family Welfare Council (CFWC) held at New Delhi from 2nd to 5th September, 1985, reviewed the achievements in the Family Welfare Programme during the 6th Five Year Plan and took shock of the major thrusts and strategies proposed to be followed during the 7th Five Year Plan. The Councils resolved that the National goal of achieving Net Reproduction Rate of One must and should be reached by the turn of the century. In other words our birth rate must come down to 21 per thousand and infant mortality rate to 60 per thousand.

The Councils took note of the fact that the programme had made a very good start this year resulting in a very good improvement in the performance. The several new initiatives taken by the Government recently are most welcomed and helped it to give it a further boost. The