

(f) : Does not arise.

N. U. Development Programme

*689 SHRI R. BARUA :
SHRI VALMIKI CHOUDHARY :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that U. N. Development Programme has approved four new pre-investment projects in India during 1969 ;

(b) if so, the names of the projects that will be undertaken ; and

(c) the total amount that will be provided by U. N. for these projects ?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI DESAI) : (a) The Governing Council of the United Nations Development approved in January, 1969 assistance to two new Indian projects and authorised supplementary assistance to two existing projects.

(b) The two new projects are Pelagic Fishery Investigation on the Southwest Coast ; and Farmers, Training and Functional Literacy.

The two existing projects for which supplementary assistance has been approved are the National Apprenticeship Scheme and the Power Engineering Research Organisation, Bhopal.

(c) 4 million.

Incidence of Deaths due to Cancer

*690. SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA :
SHRIMATI JYOTSNA
CHANDA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING, AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that study made by the Sarojini Naidu Memorial Medical College at Agra on the incidence of cancer in the country has revealed that 4,25,000 persons die of cancer every year in India ; and

(b) if so, the steps which are being taken by Government to check the high incidence of deaths due to this disease ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) So far as it is known no study has been carried out in the S. N. Medical College, Agra, which would give the incidence of cancer in the Country as a whole. The Cancer Unit of the Department of Pathology S. N. Medical College, Agra has been primarily interested in studying the oral and oropharyngeal cancer in the district of Mainpuri. This work has been carried out under the auspices of the World Health Organisation which had also established an International Centre at Agra for these studies under Prof. Wahi. From these studies it was found that the incidence rate for oral and oropharyngeal cancer was 21.4 per 100,000 of the population of the district. No accurate information is available on the extent of the problem. The Cancer Committee have estimated 200,000 deaths annually.

(b) The Government is encouraging research in the causation and treatment of cancer. Cancer research centres exist at Calcutta, Madras and Bombay. There are 31 Cobalt units for radio therapy in the Country. Assistance is also given by Central Government for obtaining Cobalt units for radio therapy in the Country. Surgical treatment of operable cases of cancer is given free to poor patients in all General Hospitals in the Country, where adequate facilities are available. The Indian Cancer Society is publishing periodically literature giving early symptoms and warning signals of cancer with a view to detect cases of cancer as early as possible.

Christian Missions Involved in Foreign Exchange Racket

4052. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the names and addresses in India of Christian Missions who have so far been caught doing illegal transactions in foreign