

driver had been stabbed and had died, and the police had let the assailant escape. This led to some drivers parking their vehicles across the road, blocking the traffic. On getting this news, Chairman of the Delhi Transport Corporation accompanied by other senior officers and Additional Police Commissioner, reached the spot and tried to persuade the workers to resume work. Even the driver, who was injured, was produced before the workers and he himself told that the passenger, who had caused him injury, was in police custody. But the workers did not resume work.

(c) The DTC had appointed a Committee of officers to investigate the cause of strike and ascertain the individuals who instigated the workers for strike to initiate disciplinary action against them. A number of workers, who indulged in violence, have already been placed under suspension pending disciplinary proceedings. Stringent disciplinary action is contemplated against the violent workers. Workers are also being educated through their leaders to avoid the recurrence of such uncalled for disruption of services.

#### Improvement of medical facilities in the rural areas

821. SHRI KISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state what steps Government are taking to further improve medical facilities in the rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RABI RAY): The Government is taking the following steps to further improve medical facilities in the rural areas:

(i) All uni-purpose Workers and Supervisors are being trained to become multi-purpose workers (M.P.Ws) and Supervisors.

(ii) To increase the number of multi-purpose workers and Supervisors in a phased manner, so that

there is one male and one female M.P.W. for every 5,000 rural population and one Multi-purpose Supervisor for every four M.P. Workers.

(iii) To train one member of the community (to be selected by the community), from every village, to deliver primary health services to the community under the Community Health Workers Scheme.

(iv) Under the Community Health Workers Scheme the following additional facilities are being provided:

(a) providing one additional doctor at each Primary Health Centre.

(b) providing additional medicines worth Rs. 6,000/- p.a. for every Primary Health Centre.

(c) providing medicines worth Rs. 60,000/- per annum to be distributed free, through Community Health Workers, in the population covered by each Primary Health Centre (at the rate of Rs. 600/- for medicine through every C.H.W., per annum.

(v) To train one indigenous birth attendant (dai) from every village to deliver better midwifery services.

(vi) Every medical college is being provided three mobile service teams under the Reorientation of Medical Education Scheme. These teams would also provide 'specialised services' to the rural population.

(vii) It is proposed to establish additional 38,000 health Sub-Centres and upgrade 400 Primary Health Centres into 36 bedded hospitals, during the Five Year Plan 1978-83.

(viii) Provision has been made to complete the construction of all Primary Health Centres buildings during the present Plan period.