

**UPGRADING NATIONAL T. B. INSTITUTE,
BANGALOU;**

684. DR. K. MATHEW KURIAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is proposed to raise the status and upgrade the National Tuberculosis Institute, Bangalore at par with similar Institution,, such as:—

(i) All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health, Calcutta,

(ii) Central Research Institute, Kasauli.

(iii) National Institute of Communicable Diseases; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (DR. DEBI PRASAD CHATTO-PADHYAYA : (a) and (b) The National Tuberculosis Institute is the sub ordinate office of the Directorate General of Health Services like any other subordinate office. There is at present no proposal to change the status of this Institute.

**UNIFORMS TO PACKERS OF MEDICAL STORES
DEPOTS**

685. Dr. K. MATHEW KURIAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are supplying uniforms to the packers of the Government Medical Stores Depots; and

(b) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (DR. DEBI PRASAD CHATTO-PADHYAYA) (a) Yes.

(b) Does not arise.

DRINKING WATER SCHEME

686. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) Whether it is a fact that the Union Government have offered cent per cent assistance to the States in preparing plans and estimates for drinking water schemes in difficult and scarcity areas;

fb) if so, the names of the State Governments which have asked for the Union Government's assistance; and

(c) the total amount earmarked for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (DR. DEBI PRASAD CHATTO-PADHYAYA) : (a) To accelerate the Rural Water Supply Programme and to provide employment opportunities to the educated unemployed, the Central Government sanctioned in December, 1971, a new scheme of Planning and Design Units for Rural Water Supply with 100 percent central assistance to prepare detailed estimates and plans for execution of piped water supply schemes in difficult and scarcity areas which have already been investigated by the Special Investigation Divisions for Rural Water Supply.

(b) Central assistance will be given to all the State Governments and the Union Territory of Arunachal Pradesh to implement this scheme.

(c) The Financial liability for this scheme during the Fourth Plan will be of the order of Rs. 110.00 lakhs.

**HOUSE BUILDING LANDS TO CENTRAL
GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN ASSAM STATE**

687. SHRI GOLAP BARBORA : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to State the total amount of house building loans disbursed for Central Government employees in the State of Assam during the last three years upto March 1972 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : Rs. 17, 48, 675 (Rupees seventeen lakhs, forty-eight thousand, six hundred and seventy five only.)

VERIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF FEDERATION OF EMPLOYEES OF PRINTING AND STATIONARY DEPARTMENT

688. SHRI GOLAP BARBORA : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the verification of membership of the three federations of employees functioning in the Printing and Stationery Department of the Government of India