

†[CANCER RESEARCH WORK IN MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS]

30. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether any report is called for about the progress made in research work done by various Government medical institutions which were given grants for cancer research work during 1960-61; and if so, whether any special progress has been made with regard to the treatment and diagnosis of cancer as a result of this research work; and

(b) whether there is any arrangement for maintaining contacts between these various institutions with regard to this research work; and if so, what is that arrangement?]

स्वास्थ्य मंत्री (श्री डी० पी० कर्मकर-कर) : (क) कैंसर पर प्रयोगात्मक अनुसंधान कार्य भारतीय कैंसर अनुसंधान केन्द्र, बम्बई तथा चित्तरंजन राष्ट्रीय कैंसर अनुसंधान केन्द्र, कलकत्ता, में हो रहा है। ये संस्थाएँ अपने कार्य की रिपोर्ट देती हैं। भारत में इस क्षेत्र में होने वाला अनुसंधान कार्य अभी प्रारम्भ ही हुआ है, अतः ऐसे अनुसंधान के परिणामस्वरूप कैंसर के निदान और इलाज में विशेष प्रगति की इतनी जल्दी आशा नहीं की जा सकती।

(ख) इस काम में लगे हुए कर्मचारी व्यावसायिक एसोशियेशनों के वैज्ञानिक अधिवेशनों में विचार-विमर्श द्वारा तथा पत्र व्यवहार द्वारा परस्पर सम्पर्क रखते हैं।

†[THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMAKAR): (a) Experimental research work on cancer is being carried out at the Indian Cancer Research Centre, Bombay and the Chittaranjan National Cancer Research Centre, Calcutta. These ins-

titutes submit reports about the work done by them. As research in India in this field is in its infancy it is too early to expect any special progress with regard to the treatment and diagnosis of cancer as a result of such research.

(b) Contacts between workers engaged on this problem are through correspondence and through discussions at Scientific sessions of professional associations.]

31. [Transferred to the 30th November, 1961.]

EXPANSION WORK IN TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN AHMEDABAD ENGINEERING TELEGRAPH DIVISION

32. SHRI MAGANBHAI S. PATEL: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state whether the progress of expansion works in (i) opening, extensions and conversions of telephone exchanges, (ii) trunk exchanges, (iii) Combined Offices and Departmental Telegraph Offices and other miscellaneous works such as carrier expansion have been hampered very badly in the Ahmedabad Engineering Telegraph Division, in comparison to other Divisions of Bombay Circle during the year 1960-61; and if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (DR. P. SUBBARAYAN): No. The progress in Ahmedabad Engineering Division did not compare badly with other areas of the Bombay Circle. Shortage of materials has, however, been hampering development all over the country.

PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF IMPROVED VARIETIES OF WHEAT AND PADDY

33. SHRI N. SRI RAMA REDDY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

†[] English translation.