

**DISRUPTION OF TELEPHONE SERVICE
DUE TO RAINFALL IN DELHI**

*828. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the rains on the 19th August, 1962 badly affected telephone services in Delhi and a number of telephones went dead when rain water seeped through; and

(b) if so, what remedial measures are being taken up by the authorities to guard against such disruption of telephone service in the City?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

**DISCOVERY OF ONE-SHOT VACCINE BY
RUSSIAN DOCTOR**

*829. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Dr. Victor M. Zhdanov, Executive Secretary of the Academy of Medical Sciences of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, had announced in Iowa City of Canada the discovery of a one-shot vaccine giving protection against 15 infectious diseases namely measles, diphtheria, tetanus, two types of influenza and all three strains of polio virus and seven other kinds of diseases; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to indent or manufacture such vaccine in India?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR. SUSHILA NAYAR): (a) and (b) Reports to the effect that such a combined prophylactic was considered a possibility by Russians have appeared in the Press. Further enquiries in the matter are being made by Government.

**HOSPITALS FOR EMPLOYEES OF CENTRAL
GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKINGS AT RANCHI**

*830. SHRI P. C. MITRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to refer to the answer given to Starred Question No. 558 in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th September, 1961 and the Statement laid on the Table of the House on the 26th April, 1962 in fulfilment of the assurance given therein and state the steps so far taken by the Government to co-ordinate the activities of the different hospitals and dispensaries of Central Government Undertakings situated in Ranchi town, to save overhead expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR. SUSHILA NAYAR): There are three Central Government Undertakings at Ranchi viz., (i) The Heavy Engineering Corporation Limited; (ii) The National Coal Development Corporation; and (iii) The Hindustan Steel Limited. The Heavy Engineering Corporation has agreed to set up a specialised hospital for specialised treatment of diseases calling for expert medical attention. The employees (with their families) of the National Coal Development Corporation and the Hindustan Steel Limited will be availing of the facilities at that hospital. It has, however, been agreed in principle that the National Coal Development Corporation and Hindustan Steel Limited will also be setting up a separate hospital jointly for treatment of minor ailments of their employees and their families. The matter is being pursued further.

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बिजली की सप्लाई**

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चीरङ्गिया : क्या सिंचाई तथा विद्युत् मंत्री
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