

REACTIONS RESULTING FROM PENICILLIN  
TREATMENT

111. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared from London to the effect that undesirable reactions resulting from penicillin treatment may be more serious than the condition meant to be cured by such treatment; and

(b) if so, whether Government have made or propose to make an assessment in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMAKAR): (a) The Government have no knowledge of any such news item.

(b) However steps have already been taken to publish, in important Scientific and Medical Journals, a note on "The toxic reactions in anti-biotic therapy" for the guidance of the medical profession.

CONGESTION OF TRAFFIC ON ROURKELA  
STATION

112. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the heavy increase in the volume and rush of traffic, both passenger and goods, originating from and terminating at Rourkela ever since the Steel Works have started their operations there; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken, or are proposed to be taken for:

- (i) relieving congestion on the platform and the station premises;
- (ii) providing waiting room facilities separately for each class of passengers; and
- (iii) providing essential passenger amenities such as supply of

water for drinking and bathing purposes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Yes.

(b) It is proposed for the present to construct a station building on austerity standards with all the facilities referred to, with the exception that only one waiting room for all the upper class passengers and one waiting hall for class three passengers will be provided.

इन्फ्लुएंजा की महामारी

११३. श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या स्वास्थ्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश के कुछ भागों में इन्फ्लुएंजा की लहर फिर से आ गई है ; यदि हां तो वे भाग कौन कौन से हैं ;

(ख) उन भागों में इन्फ्लुएंजा का प्रकोप किस मात्रा में है और उसके शमन के लिये सरकार ने क्या उपाय किये हैं ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार को इस बीमारी की कोई अन्तिम रूप में सफल औषधि ढूँढ़ निकालने में अब तक सफरता मिली है, यदि हां, तो वह औषधि कौन सी है ?

†[INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC

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

(a) whether it is a fact that a wave of influenza has again broken out in some parts of the country; if so, in which parts;

(b) what is the extent of incidence of influenza in those parts and what steps have been taken by Government for suppressing it; and

(c) whether Government have so far succeeded in finding out any

†[ ] English translation.