

PREVALENCE POLIOMYELITIS IN BOMBAY

71. SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR: Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government are aware of the prevalence of Poliomyelitis in Bombay in an epidemic form; and
- (b) whether Government have taken any steps to help the Government of Bombay in combating the disease?

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (RAJKUMARI AMRIT KAUR) : (a) The Government of India have been informed of an increase in the incidence of Poliomyelitis in sporadic form in Bombay, particularly in Bombay city.

(b) Yes. An 'iron lung' has been loaned to the Bombay Municipal Corporation for use at their Infectious Diseases Hospital.

REVISION OF THE PAY SCALES OF MINISTERIAL STAFF ON N.E. RAILWAY

72. SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received any representation from ministerial staff employed on North Eastern Railway regarding revision of their pay scales; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

UNSURRENDERED AND TOTAL SAVINGS UNDER THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

73. SHRI P. C. BHANJ DEO: Will the Minister for TRANSPORT be pleased to state the amounts of un-

surrendered savings and their percentage to total savings under the various budget grants controlled by the Ministry of Transport in each year from 1949-50 to 1952-53?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): A statement giving the requisite information is attached. [See Appendix VIII, Annexure No. 56.]

EXPECTATION OF LIFE

74. SHRI P. C. BHANJ DEO: Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) the expectation of life at birth in the different States of India before the commencement of the First Five Year Plan; and

(b) the estimated expectation of life at birth in the different States after the end of the First Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (RAJKUMARI AMRIT KAUR): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

(b) This can only be made at the end of the First Five Year Plan.

"OWN YOUR TELEPHONE" SCHEME

75. SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR: Will the Minister for COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) how many subscribers have so far deposited the required rentals for acquiring connections under the "Own Your Telephone" Scheme; and

(b) how many of such subscribers have been provided with telephone connections?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) 18,396.

(b) 17,748.