

certain defects to be remedied in the college and unless these are rectified recognition will not be recommended by the Council.

SHRIMATI VIOLET ALVA: May I know whether the medical degrees conferred by other universities are still to be recognised by Government?

SHRIMATI M. CHANDRASEKHAR: Yes. There are about six—The Utkal University, the Bihar University, Nagpur, Gujerat, Poona and Rajputana Universities—their degrees are not recognised and they are under consideration.

SHRI S. MAHANTY: Is the Orissa Medical College affiliated to the Indian Medical Council?

MR. CHAIRMAN: There is no college affiliated to the Indian Medical Council. They are affiliated to the universities.

AN HON. MEMBER: He means that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is what he means? Next question.

LABOUR DISPUTES IN TEA GARDENS

*89. **SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR:** Will the Minister for LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of labour disputes that occurred within the last two months in the tea gardens of Assam and West Bengal;

(b) the nature and reasons of these disputes; and

(c) the manner in which these disputes have been settled?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR LABOUR (SHRI ABID ALI): (a), (b) and (c). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House in due course.

COMMITTEE FOR ESTABLISHING A CENTRAL LEPROSY TEACHING AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE

*90. **DR. W. S. BARLINGAY:** Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to

place on the table of the Council a copy of the report of the Committee appointed by Government to advise them on the steps to be taken to establish a Central Leprosy Training and Research Institute and state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision on the recommendations of the Committee; and

(b) what was the total amount spent on the said Committee?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR HEALTH (SHRIMATI M. CHANDRASEKHAR): A copy of the Report of the Central Leprosy Teaching and Research Institute Committee is available in the Parliament Library.

(a) Government have accepted the recommendations of the Committee and negotiations are going on with the Government of Madras for the establishment of the Institute at Chingleput in Madras State.

(b) Rs. 7,300.

DELHI TRANSPORT SERVICE

*91. **SHRI B. V. KAKKILAYA:** Will the Minister for TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a memorandum from the Delhi Transport Service Workers' Union containing their demands and grievances; if so, what are their demands;

(b) what steps Government propose to take in the matter;

(c) the number and categories of employees of the Delhi Transport Service (i) discharged from service during the last six months, and (ii) recruited during the same period; and

(d) whether any of the office bearers or the active members of the Delhi Transport Service Workers' Union is included among those discharged?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ARANGAN): (a) Representations have