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Andrological Department

3418. SHRI ASHOK ANANDRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hospitals in the country which have Andrological Departments; and

(b) whether Government propose to start these Departments in more hospitals; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) to (c). Andrology is the scientific study of the masculine constitutions and of the diseases of the male sex organs. There is no separate Andrological Department in the hospitals. However, male patients with sex problems are treated at every level by concerned doctors and referred, if necessary, to Endocrinology/STD Department which is meant for special investigation and advise for all hormonal and sex related problems.

about
De-Addiction Facilities

3419. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHOSALE: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of drug addicts in the country are not aware of de-addiction facilities available in the country;

(b) whether efforts of highlight de-addiction facilities available in the country to check drug menace are to be popularised;

(c) whether Government propose to take action in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (d). The information with regard to de-addiction facilities in the country is made available through newspaper advertisements in all Indian regional papers. In addition pamphlets giving addresses of the centres are also printed and distributed widely. Besides the above, the addicts and others provided treatment in the Centres also spread information about them.

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3420. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of West Bengal has drawn the attention of Union Government towards problems by the Food Corporation of India regarding supplies of foods to the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to improve the functioning of F.C.I. in West Bengal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The problems regarding occasional shortage of foodgrain stocks, and its non-availability in certain depots due to Industrial Relation problems despite over-all stock position being comfortable in the State, despatch of some stocks not conforming to specifications and quality of stocks available not conforming to the preference of the State, have been brought to the notice of the Government.

(c) The problems brought to the notice of Government/FCI from time to time have