

of the State Government to make an advance allocation of 5,000 tonnes of levy sugar, adjustable in future instalments for the festival of onam. As regards rice it has not been found possible to accede to the request of the State Government.

Voluntary Organisations of Andhra Pradesh Financed by I.C.M. R

393. SHRI MANIK REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Medical Research has financed any voluntary organisations in Andhra Pradesh for the implementation or studying of various Health and Family Welfare Programmes in the State;

(b) if so, the names of the organisations, details of projects and the amount financed in each case since 1984; and

(c) the procedure of granting funds for specific projects to these voluntary organisations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIRAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Indian Council of Medical Research has financed the following three projects since 1984:—

1. Short term Sequelae Tubectomy and median raphe vasectomy conducted as out-patient procedures in rural camps in coastal districts of Andhra Pradesh.
2. Ocular complications in Leprosy.
3. Study of Dermatophytosis in school going population of Hyderabad.

The Principal Investigator of the above project of S.No. 1 was Dr. B.S.R. Murty, Deputy Chairman, Lions Family Welfare Planning Centre, Gajapathinagam. The total

funding was Rs. 93,900/-

The aim of the project was to conduct sterilization operations (vasectomy/tubectomy) in various camps and rural areas and to provide training to Doctors in conduct of such operations. The procedures were performed by Dr. Murthy as on outdoor basis where the subjects could go home the same day. The principal Investigator during the study period performed a total 3834 procedures and collected data at follow up. He also undertook training of Doctors regarding the techniques of (a) subumbilical incision using special nontraumatic tubectomy forceps, (b) median raphe technique for vasectomy. The techniques take 15-20 minutes (for tubectomy and 2-3 minutes (for vasectomy). The procedures were observed to be safe and simple as indicated by very low complication rate among the subjects follow up by the Investigator.

2) The Principal Investigator of the project at S.No. 2 was Dr. C. Satyanarayana, Chief Supdt., O.E.U. Lions Eye Hospital Distt. Vizianagram, Shreeram Nagar. The total funding was Rs. 14, 428/-.

The Investigator has studied the wide variation in the incidence of Ocular manifestations in Leprosy. It was noted that the ocular manifestations are of severe nature for those attending hospital whereas milder forms were observed for those in the field. However, these ocular manifestations were observed to be reduced after introduction of multidrug therapy. The Investigator also attempted classifying the Ocular damage taking into consideration WHO classification. The various disabilities are put into three grades taking into consideration not only the ocular manifestation but also the quantitative visual acuity.

3) The Principal Investigator of the project at S. No.3 was Dr. Sukhanand Jain, Research Director, Medical Mycology and Allergy Research Centre, Mahavir Hospital and Research Centre, Hyderabad. The total funding was Rs. 34,150/- The aim of the project is to debut target population of der-

matomycosis and to find out predisposing factors responsible for dermatomycosis, the nutritional status, personal hygiene of the patients and to suggest suitable remedial measure. Till date 5000 students were screened from twelve different schools belonging to different socioeconomic groups. About 5.89% suspected cases were recorded. 72.84% revealed the persence of dermatophytes by microscopy. Positive culture was obtained from 56.95% of the specimen. *Jinea caproris* was predominant clinical type followed by *T. Capitis*, *T faces* & *T. Pedis*. There was significant difference in the overall incidence among both sexes.

(c) The procedure followed in the case of granting funds to the Voluntary Organisations in similar to processing of other grant applications. The Peer Review Mechanism is followed where a group of experts in context to the national and scientific relevance of the project, feasibility of the methodology proposed and experience and expertise of the Principal Investigator. This mechanism was used in the present case also.

Funds to Voluntary Organisations for Implementation of Environment and Forest Programmes

394. SHRI MANIK REDDY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has been funding some voluntary organisations for the implementation of various Environment and Forests Programmes;

(b) if so, the names of those organisations together with the details of programmes/projects and the funds allocated in each case during the last three years, yearwise and State-wise; amd

(c) the procedure for granting funds for specific projects to these voluntary organisations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Ministry has been funding voluntary organisations for the implementation of various programmes on Environmental Education and Awareness, Seminars/Symposia, Environmental Information System, Eco-development Programme, Environmental Research, Wastelands Development and Afforestation and the Ganga Action Plan. A statement giving details is placed on the table of the House. [Placed in library See No. LT— 8039/89].

(c) The Project Proposals received from the voluntary organisations are considered by the concerned committees constituted for specific programmes. Based on the recommendations of these Committees, the Ministry approves the proposals and provides financial assistance to the concerned voluntary organisation. In some cases, the Ministry itself considers the proposals or consults the concerned State Authorities for providing financial assistance.

Voluntary Organisations of Andhra Pradesh Financed by Union Government

395. SHRI G. BHOOPATHY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the Health and Family Welfare Projects financed by Union Government in Andhra Pradesh and the details of their outcome since 1985 onwards; and

(b) whether Union Government have been financing any voluntary organisations in Andhra Pradesh for implementing various Health and Family Welfare Programmes and if so, the amount sanctioned to each organisation and results achieved thereof since 1985 onwards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Amounts allocated and released to the