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criteria for providing these facilities; and

Life Saving Drugs to Poor

477.SHRI RAM SINGH KASWAN: SHRI MAHESH KANODIA: SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHCTRI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether life saving drugs and other medicines are provided free of cost to the poor people in the Government hospitals;
 - (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the other facilities provided to the poor in the Government hospitals and the

(d) the steps taken to increase the financial allocation to these hospitals?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Free diagnostic and investigative facilities are provided to all persons from the weaker sections. Operations and post operative services are also performed free of cost.
- (d) In the Central Government Hospitals the financial allocations was enhanced as indicated below:

Lady Hardinge Medical College and Sucheta

Kriplani Hospital.

Safdarjang Hosp. Dr. R.M.L. Hosp. JIPMER, Pondicherry