

(d), and (e) The proposal for inclusion of medicine "CYKLOKAPRON (TGANEXAOIC ACID)" in the life saving drugs list is under consideration.

FLOOD CONTROL

2634. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH HOODA :
SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL :
SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN :
DR. JAYANTA RONGPI :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the floods in Brahmaputra and its tributaries play havoc with the lives and properties of the people in North-Eastern Region year after year;

(b) whether the Brahmaputra Flood Control Board has made any suggestions to control these floods;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.K. THUNGON) : (a) The annual losses due to floods in Brahmaputra and its tributaries are Rupees 64 crore on average.

(b) and (c) In the draft Master Plans prepared by the Brahmaputra Board for flood management covering about 80 percent of North Eastern Region, short-term and long-term measures have been identified. The Master Plan Part-I and Part-II cover the main stem of Brahmaputra and Barak, its tributaries respectively. The Master Plan Part-III covers 38 tributaries of Brahmaputra and 8 rivers in Tripura.

(d) These Master Plans have been sent to the North-Eastern States and Central agencies for preparation of detailed schemes and sanction.

[Translation]

C.G.H.S. DISPENSARIES

2635. SHRI N. J. RATHVA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Central Government Health Scheme dispensaries at present functions in Gujarat;

(b) whether the Union Government propose to increase their number in Gujarat; and

(c) if so, the locations selected so far for this purpose?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) Three.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

[English]

OIL EXPLORATION

2636. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the bids for fifth round for oil exploration includes certain oil bearing areas in West Bengal—both offshore and onshore;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) and (b) In the fifth round, bids have been received for the block WB-ONOS/1 on land and extending to offshore basin of West Bengal. However, in this block no presence of commercial hydrocarbons has been established so far.

(c) Does not arise.

TUBECTOMY PILL

2637. SHRI R. SURRENDER REDDY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether some gynaecological researches on the basis of long research in India, USA and other countries have suggested that 'QUINACRINE' which is being used in several countries