

(b) if so, whether Government have sent necessary instructions to the South Eastern Railway in this regard ; and

(c) the steps taken by the South Eastern Railway ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) There is a proposal to introduce an A.C. 2-tier coach during the current year 1986-87.

(b) and (c) Instructions will be issued as and when newly built coaches become available.

**Construction of goods yard near Calicut Railway Station**

1010. DR. K.G. ADIYODI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct new goods yard near Calicut Railway Station so as to remove overcrowding ; and

(b) if so, the place at which the goods yard is proposed to be constructed and by what time the same will be ready/completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b) (1) There is no proposal to construct new goods yard.

(2) Following works have been taken up for handling block rakes :—

(a) Minor additions and alterations to goods yard at Kallayi (2 Kms.) from Calicut.

(b) facilities for Food Grain traffic at Tikkoti at the cost of Food Corporation of India on Deposit terms.

(3) Facilities for Petroleum product traffic at West Hill and Elathur are under consideration at the cost of User Companies

on Deposit terms.

**Steps to prevent AIDS and sex-wise cases**

1011. DR. K.G. ADIYODI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the steps taken to prevent the invasion of the fatal disease of AIDS and the number of places where Elisa test is possible to detect seropositive anti bodied from blood in the country ; and

(b) the total number of cases of AIDS sex-wise declared in the country and their present condition ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) A nationwide control programme has been initiated and the important steps under this programme taken so far for the prevention of the disease are :—

1. 12 diagnostic centres for detection of AIDS and—referral centres where higher level diagnostic facilities for AIDS are available have been established in the country as per details given in the statement below.
2. Restrictions have been imposed for import of blood and blood products without AIDS clearance certificate ;
3. All the State Health authorities/hospitals/STD clinics have been alerted to look for AIDS ;
4. All the blood banks have been instructed to screen the professional blood donors. ;
5. All the State Health authorities have been advised to ensure strict sterilisation practices in hospitals and clinics and to use pre-sterilised disposable syringes and needles as far as possible.
6. Guidelines have been sent to all the State Health authorities for health care personnel ; and

7. All the mass media channels have been involved in educating the people on AIDS, its nature, transmission and prevention.

(b) 18 cases of confirmed AIDS infection have been detected as under:—

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| Tamil Nadu     | 15 |
| Maharashtra    | 2  |
| Andhra Pradesh | 1  |

Out of these cases, 15 are females and 3 are males.

#### Statement

##### List of Diagnostic Centres for AIDS

1. Madras Medical College, Madras.
2. Christian Medical College, Vellore.
3. National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases, Calcutta.
4. School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta.
5. Rajendra Memorial Research Institute, Patna.
6. Postgraduate Institute, Chandigarh,
7. Institute of Medical Sciences, Srinagar.
8. National Institute of Virology, Pune.
9. National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi.
10. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.
11. Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneshwar.
12. Appollo Hospital, Madras.

##### Referral Centres for AIDS

1. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi.
2. National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi.

3. National Institute of Virology, Pune.
4. Christian Medical College, Vellore.

##### Three years degree course in Allopathic Medicine

1012. DR. K.G. ADIYODI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to start three-year degree course in Allopathic medicine by Union Government during the current plan period and if so, the details thereof ;

(b) whether it is a fact that years back Government discontinued diploma courses in Allopathic medicine from all the Medical Colleges in the country ; and

(c) if so, what are the positive reasons to revive the course again ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government of India.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

##### Performance of Family Planning Programme in Hindi speaking areas

1013. SHRI JAGANNATH PATTNAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether performance of the Family Planning Programme has been assessed as lowest in Hindi speaking areas ;

(b) If so, the names of such States and to what extent their performance has been low ; and

(c) the reaction of Union Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE