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:-

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.
- National Institute of Cholera and 3. 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.
- National Institute of Virology, Pune. 8.
- National Institute of Communicable 9. Diseases, Delhi.
- of Medical 10. All India Institute Sciences, New Delhi.
- 11. Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneshwar.
- Appollo Hospital, Madras. 12.

Referal Centres for AIDS

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

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

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 KHAPAR-DE): $(a_i \text{ No such proposal is under consi-}$ deration 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