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**AIDS Cases Detected**

2632. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of cases of AIDS so far detected in the country and the places where more cases have been detected ; and

(b) the steps taken to check them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Upto the end of 31.10.1986 only 2 full blown cases of AIDS have been reported. One is from Bombay (Maharashtra) and the other one from Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh).

In addition, two cases of ARC (Aids Related Complex) have been detected ; one is from Maharashtra and the second is from Madras.

(b) The following measures/steps have been taken under the AIDS Control programme :—

1. 19 diagnosis centres for detection of AIDS have been set up. In addition, 4 referral centres where higher level diagnostic facilities for AIDS are available, have been established in the country.
2. Restrictions have been imposed for import of blood and blood products without AIDS Clearance Certificate.
3. All the blood banks have been instructed to screen the professional blood donors.
4. All the State Health authorities/hospitals STD Clinics have been alerted to look for AIDS cases.
5. All the State Health authorities have been advised to enable strict sterilisation practices in hospitals and clinics or 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.
7. All the mass media channels have been involved in educating the people on AIDS, its nature, transmission and prevention.
8. Instructions/guidelines to the State/ Union Territory health authorities have been issued for medical examination including that for AIDS for foreign students being admitted to Indian Universities.

**Indians Killed in PIA's Fokker F-27**

2633. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some Indians were killed at the time of crashing of a Pakistan International Airlines Fokker F-27 aircraft on 23 October, 1986 near Peshawar ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken so far by Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

**Temporary Employees Working in Medical Council of India**

2634. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of employees in various grades working in the Medical Council of India, New Delhi ;