- (iv) A trained Health Guide and a trained Dai for every village/1000 population.
- (b) Planning Commission had approved an outlay of Rs. 49,423.75 lakhs under Health Sector for States and Union Territories for the year 1986-87, out of which Rs. 17,800.30 lakhs were allocated under Minimum Needs Programme i.e. for establishment of Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres.
- (c) The number of Health Centres opened upto December, 1986 and proposed to be opened during 1987-88 in Maharashtra is as follows:

Category	No. opened upto December, 1986.	No. likely to be opened during 1987- 88
Community Health Centres	147	No targets fixed as full achievement has been made already
Primary Health Centres	1343	6 0
Sub-Centres	77 11	1200

"One rupee book revolution" by NCERT

WASNIK: 6869. SHRI MUKUL Will the Minister of HUMAN RE-SOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) is launching a "one rupee book revolution" in the country to face the crises of a fall in the reading habit of the people; and
 - (b) if so, the details of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE **EDUCATION** DEPARTMENTS OF AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP-**MENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI):**

- (a) Yes, Sir. The series is titled 'Lotus Books'.
- (b) The series aims at introducing young readers to the world of knowledge by making available to them paperbacks priced at one rupee each on history, science, culture and on issues of contemporary India and the world. NCERT will bring out the English and Hindi edition of these books, while copyright permission will be given to the States to translate these books into regional languages. The first paperback 'the Historic Trial of Mahatma Gandhi' has been released on 30.1.1987.

[Translation]

Land erosion by Ghagra

6870. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that thousands of acres of tertile land is washed away every year in Azamgarh district of Uttar Pradesh due to erosion by the Ghaghra river as a result of which thousands of farmers are ruined every year; and
- (b) if so the action being taken by to replace the existing Government Kuchcha dam by a pucca one in order to protect the farmers from loss of life and property?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-(SHRI B. SHANKARA-SOURCES NAND): (a) Some areas in Azamgarh come under submergence and erosion along the banks of river Ghagh: a. October-November 1985 the river Ghaghra eroded its right bank and came very close to the marginal bund.

(b) Government of Uttar Pradesh executed flood protection works before the 1986 flood season and this significantly improved the river flow. Government of Uttar Pradesh has reported that a close watch is being kept and any additional 163

safety works, if required, would be undertaken.

Approval of Bhensatori, Budhna and Madí-Kheri Projects

6871. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOUR-CES be pleased to state:

- (a) since when Bhensatori irrigation scheme in Guna district in Budhna and Madikhera irrigation Schemes in Shivpuri dfstrict in Madhya Pradesh are pending with Central Government; and
- (b) the details of these schemes and the reasons for delay in approving these schemes by the Centre and the time by which these schemes are likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-SOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARA-NAND): (a) and (b) The project reports of Bhensatori and Madikhera Irrigation Schemes have not been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh. The Budhana Nalla Scheme envisaging annual irrigation to about 2350 hectares at an estimated cost of about Rs. 2 crores was approved in 1980.

[English]

Inadequate facilities for treatment of Kidney, heart, cancer and other ailments

6872. SHRIMATI PATEL RAMA-BEN RAMJIBHAI MAVANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are inadequate facilities to treat Kidney, Heart, Cancer and other serious ailments:
- (b) what is the gap between the facilities available and facilities required for the above diseases; and

(c) what action is planned for bringing this gap?

Written Answers

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPA-RDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) No statistics are available in this respect. However efforts are always made to provide adequate facilities for treatment of all major ailments.

Women's participation in decision making processes

- 6873. DR. B. L. SHAILESH: Will the Minister of ! HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have since studied the recommendations made at the World Conference of the United Nations decade for women held at Nairobi two years ago;
 - (b) if so, the outcom thereof; and
- (c) the manner in which Government propose to involve women's participation in decision-making and policy making processes at National State and local levels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND **DFVELOPMENT** CHILD IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DIVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MAR-GARET ALVA) : (a) (b) Yes, Sir. The Department Women & Child Development has taken up the matter with the different Ministries/ Departments concerned with the implementation of these recomendations.

(c) The Government have issued instructions for inclusion of suitable women in Indian Delegations for representation abroad, and in all important Committees, Commissions or Delegations appointed to examine Socio-Economic problems. The Government also involves