- (b) if so, whether a high powered Committee has since been constituted by Government to find out the debacles in the field of sports in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details of composition of the Committee and the time by which it is expected to submit its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) In cricket our performance in the Reliance Cup matches and in the Test series against the West Indies was satisfactory, while in hockey and football our performance in recent tournaments was not up to expectation.

- (b) No. Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.

Aids Control Programme

569. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJU: SHRI S.M. GURADDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his Ministry had submitted a proposal for Rs.9 crore last year to the Planning Commission for control of AIDS in the country;
- (b) whether the proposal has been approved by the Commission;
 - (c) if not, the reasons for the delay; and
 - (d) when it is likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE):

- (a) and (b). Yes.
 - (c) and (d). Does not arise.

Increase in Steel Production

570. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJU: SHRI S.M. QURADDI:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the production of saleable steel has increased in 1986-87;
- (b) if so, the total percentage of increase expected for the next year;
- (c) the overall position of steel production in 1987-88:
- (d) the quantum of steel imported in 1987; and
- (e) the steps being taken to improve the position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The total percentage of increase expected for 1987-88 is estimated to be about 4.6.
- (c) The estimated domestic production of saleable steel during 1987-88 is 11.2 million tonnes.
- (d) Import of steel from April-November 1987 through the major ports have been about 1.1 million tonnes.
- (e) The following steps are being taken to improve the production of steel in the country:-