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| Tuberculosis | 28793 | |
| Poliomyelitis | 1675 | |

Regional Occupation Health Centres

3808. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Regional Occupation Health Centre, Eastern Region which has been surveying projects for the last eight years on health hazards, has come across a large number of cases where workers have been found to be suffering from serious respiratory diseases, if so, the facts and details thereof;

(b) whether any study has been conducted by Government in this regard, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for the safety of the workers and to improve the environmental conditions?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEY): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of Lok Sabha.

Pesticides in Edible Oils

3809. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of pesticides contents in edible oils;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the efforts made to supply pesticidefree edible oils to the consumers? THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUP-PLIES (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): (a) and (b). In the limited survey conducted by the Directorate General Health Services in 1987, pesticides residue was detected in a few samples of commonly used oils. However, Soyabean oil and Palmolein were found to be free from pesticides.

(c) The maximum tolerance limit for pesticide residue in different commodities of food stuffs including edible oils have been laid down under the PFA Rules, 1955. These provisions are enforced by the State/ Governments/Union Territory Administrations. No complaints have been received regarding the pesticide contents in the imported edible oils allocated to the State Governments/Union Territories for distribution through the Public Distribution System.

Export of Cotton

3810. SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHANAN: Will the Minister of TEX-TILES be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated yield of cotton crop for the year 1988-89;

(b) whether Government have any proposal to export cotton during 1988-89; and

(c) whether Government propose to announce the export and import policy of cotton in advance of the crop for the benefit of the cotton growers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) The production of cotton during the current cotton year has been estimated at 108 lakh bales by the Cotton Advisory Board.

(b) The Government have not taken

any decision regarding export of cotton in 1988-89.

(c) The decisions to import/export of cotton are taken after carefully considering all relevant factors such as production, domestic consumption, domestic and international prices etc. Hence, it is not possible to announce these decisions in advance.

Treatment of Drug Addicts in Delhi Hospitals

3811. SHRI BHADRESWAR TANTI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether drug addicts are treated in any hospital in Delhi;

(b) whether Government have conducted any survey to ascertain the number of drug addicts admitted in Delhi hospitals during the last two years till date; and

(c) if so, the number of drugs addicts, drug-wise, detected in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Treatment facilities for drug addicts are available at the following hospitals in Delhi:

- 1. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.
- 2. Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi.
- 3. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Hospital, New Delhi.

In addition to above, beds have been reserved for treatment of drug addicts in the following hospitals:

- 1. Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi.
- 2. G.B. Pant Hospital, New Delhi.
- 3. Smt. Suchitra Kripalani Hospital, New Delhi.
- 4. Hindu Rao Hospital, New Delhi.

(b) This Ministry has not conducted any survey in this regard. However, the number of drug addicts treated in Delhi Hospitals during the last three years are given in the statement below.

(c) Information regarding the number of drug addicts, drug-wise is not available with this Ministry.

STATEMENT

No. of Drug Addicts Treated in the Delhi Hospitals (RML, LHMC, HINDU RAO, AIIMS, SAFDARJUNG, G.B. PANT)

| Year | In-Patient | Out-Patient (OPD) | Total |
|-------|------------|----------------------|-------|
| 1985 | 333 | 8131 | 8464 |
| 1986 | 427 | 10302 | 10729 |
| 1987 | 297 | 6817 | 7114 |
| Total | 1057 | 25250 | 26307 |