

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per reports from the State Health Authorities, 91 cases and 15 deaths due to suspected Japanese Encephalitis in five districts of Kerala have been recorded from 1st January, 1997 to 1st March, 1997.

(c) The steps taken to prevent and contain the outbreak of the disease include :

- \*\* intensified vector control measures, entomological monitoring and IEC activities to create community awareness;
- \*\* guidelines in the form of action plan and calendar of activities for control of disease which have been provided to the State;
- \*\* adequate number of fogging machines along with insecticides, provided to the state for vector control;
- \*\* funds have been released to meet contingent expenditure of the state on emergency basis.

[Translation]

#### Recognition to Private Hospitals in U.P.

2430. SHRI S.P. JAISWAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the criteria fixed by the Government to recognise private hospitals under Government Health Scheme;

(b) whether Government have received a number of applications from private hospitals in Uttar Pradesh in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government propose to recognise private hospitals in many cities of Uttar Pradesh including Varanasi; and

(e) if so, the time by which these hospitals are likely to be reorganised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) For recognition of private hospitals/ diagnostic centres in the CGHS covered ties, rate quotations were asked from the hospitals/quagnostic centre. The hospitals were inspected by a five-member Committee who examined the physical infrastructure available as well as level of expertise for various specialities.

(b) to (e) A total of 60 applications (Allahabad-11, Kanpur-18, Lucknow-12 and Meerut-19) have been received from private hospitals in Uttar Pradesh for recognition under CGHS, and the recognition process is underway.

As Varanasi is not covered under CGHS, there is no proposal to recognise private hospitals in that city.

[English]

#### Professional Courses in Colleges

2431. SHRI NITISH BHARDWAJ : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to start some new professional courses in colleges in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the professional courses to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the Commission initiated a Scheme in 1994 for starting vocational courses at the first degree level in universities and colleges. A statement indicating the vocational subjects which can be introduced by the eligible universities/colleges, subject to the terms and conditions of the scheme, is attached.

#### Statement

*The Vocational Subjects which can be introduced by universities/colleges*

1. Functional Hindi
2. Functional Sanskrit
3. Communicative English
4. Archaeology and Museology
5. Principals and Practices of Insurance
6. Actuarial Science
7. Office Management and Secretarial Practices
8. Tax Procedures and Practices
9. Foreign Trade Practices and Procedures
10. Tourism and Travel Management
11. Advertising, Sales Promotion (Sales Management)
12. Computer Application
13. Industrial Chemistry (Seven Streams)
14. Food Science and Quality control
15. Clinical Nutrition Dietetics
16. Industrial Microbiology
17. Bio-Technology
18. Biological Tech. and Specimen preparation
19. Seed Technology
20. Sericulture
21. Industrial Fishing and Fishery
22. Instrumentation