Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited

2594. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether due to stoppage of production of drugs in IDPL since 1996 the cost of products like vitamins B1 and B2 has enormously increased;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether these drugs are in short supply in the market; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA):
(a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No reports of shortages in respect of bulk drug Vitamin B1 and Vitamin B2 have come to the notice of the Government.
 - (d) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Recruitment of Ex-Servicemen in PMF

2595. SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM: SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government propose to recruit young ex-service-men in the Para-Military Forces;
 - (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of ex-servicemen recruited in various para-military forces during the last three years, categorywise:
- (d) whether they are given benefits in seniority and pay scales; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) Recruitment of ex-servicemen in the Central Para-Military Forces is made from time to time within the vacancies reserved for them as per the provisions of the Ex-Servicemen (Re-employment in Central Civil Services and Posts) Rules, 1979.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Number of ex-servicemen recruited in various para-military forces during the last 3 years, category-

wise are as under :

	1994	1995	1996
Group 'A'	10	25	4
Group 'B'	-	-	-
Group 'C'	566	79	317
Group 'D'	9	19	-

(d) and (e) No benefit of Defence Service is admissible in fixation of seniority. In the matter of pay fixation, the provisions of CCs (Fixation of Pay of reemployed Pensioners) Order, 1986 as amended from time to time are followed.

[English]

Subversive Activities

2596. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether life imprisonment was awarded to some persons arrested under TADA in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, whether the judgement pointed out the Pakistani hand in subversive activities in India;
- (c) if so, whether the Government have examined the judgement of the TADA Court; and
- (d) the steps propose to be taken to highlight the involvement of Pakistan in the subversive acts in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Government of India has utilised all means and channels of communication and spared no efforts to expose the subversive activities of Pakistan in India by constantly briefing foreign interlocutors, opinion makers and media personalities through its Missions and Posts abroad and Resident Diplomatic Missions and the foreign media in India by regularly informing them about the details of outside involvement in J&K and other parts of the country, whenever it was considered necessary.

[Translation]

Research Institutes

- 2597. PROF. OMPAL SINGH 'NIDAR' : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :
- (a) whether most of the Agricultural Research Institutes are located in the big cities and urban areas;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government propose to open such Agricultural Research Institutes in the rural areas so that they serve the farmers better;

- (d) if so, the time by which the institutes are likely to be opened in these areas; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) No, Sir, only 19 Institutions out of 89 Institutions are located in urban districts of the country.

- (b) The question does not arise.
- (c) and (d) The Government has some proposals for mostly need based strengthening of on-going Institutions and also for establishing few Institutions wherever are essentially needed during the IX Plan to achieve the targets.
 - (e) The question does not arise.

Central Agriculture University

2598. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to open a Central Agriculture University in Karnataka; and
- (b) if so, the place selected for the proposed University?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) No, Sir

(b) Question does not arise.

Pilot Project for Rice Production

2599. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Pilot Project was launched in the State of Orissa by the Central Rice Research Institute and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting for the development of rice production in some rainfed areas;
 - (b) if so, the results achieved as a result thereof;
- (c) whether the Government propose to extend the project to some other rainfed areas of the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) Yes. Sir. A pilot project was undertaken in Dhenkanal Dist. of Orissa.

(b) Sixteen villages involving 350 farmers and covering an area of 160 acres of land were covered under the programme using the technology developed by CRRI. The performance of varieties viz. Kalinga III,

Vandana, Sneha, Hira, Pathara and Parijat was demonstrated under rainfed conditions. An average yield of 3.53 tonnes of paddy per hectare was obtained.

- (c) Yes, Sir. The Government of Orissa is planning to extend the project to more rainfed areas of the State.
- (d) The Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Agriculture), Government of Orissa in a meeting held on 7th January, 1997, has decided that the project would be extended to other areas by involving Agronomists placed at different levels by the State Department of Agriculture as also other agencies. It was decided that in addition to dryland paddy, demonstrations would also be taken up on Maize, groundnut, lowlying paddy depending upon the importance of the crop in a given region.

[English]

Cari, Izatnagar

2600. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total budget of Central Avian Research Institute, Izatnagar during the last five years and strains of layer and broilers released during this period; and
- (b) whether the performance of these strains is comparable to the available strains produced by private organisations?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) The total budget of Central Avian Research Institute. Izatnagar during the last five years was Rs. 1393.00 lakhs. Strains developed and released earlier are being further improved.

(b) Yes, Sir. Most of the layer and broiler stocks developed and released have been fund comparable to the commercial stocks available in the country from private hatchery sources.

Intrusion from Indo-Pak Border

2601. SHRI SHIVRAJ SHIGH:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR KHANDELWAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of Pak trained terrorists who tried to intrude into the Indian territory with a motive to indulge in the sabotage during the year 1996;
- (b) the number of terrorists killed or arrested during the said period;
- (c) whether the Pak trained terrorists have suffered hearby losses recently; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?