GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:242 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2006 AIDS CONTROL CENTRES Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

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

- (a) whether AIDS Control Centres have been started in the country under an agreement reached between National AIDS Control Programme and the Trust of Bill Clinton;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the list of such centres, State-wise;
- (c) whether the said Trust is likely to provide funds and training to India for AIDS control; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d) The Government of India and the William J. Clinton Foundation have agreed to cooperate in the development and implementation for comprehensive plan for scaling up prevention of HIV/AIDS and care, support and treatment for people living with HIV/AIDS in India. Under this agreement, the Clinton Foundation has developed training manuals and trained laboratory technicians, undertaken training for 1.5 lakh general practitioners in the private sector, provided 13 ART Centres with CD4 machines and have agreed to provide drugs to treat children living with AIDS. The total outlay of assistance for the current financial year is Rs.44 crores.