

(Includes notional increase worth Rs. 250 lakhs SIDA Assistance)

- (11) National Programme for Control of Blindness. (Includes notional increase worth Rs. 145 lakhs DA-NIDA Assistance)
- (12) Guinea-worm Eradication Programme
- (13) Assistance for up-grading I.S.M . Post-graduate Department
- (14) Assistance for development of I.S.M. Pharmacies including Herbal Farms, Drug testing Laboratories etc.

Reduction in Price of Hank Yarn

10061. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement has been arrived at between Union Government and the spinning mills regarding the reduction of hank yarn prices; and

(b) if so, the details of the agreement?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b). In a meeting taken by Minister of Textiles with representatives of leading association and federations of the spinning industry to discuss the supply of hank yarn to handloom weavers at reasonable and stable prices, it was agreed to reduce prices of hank yarn, prevailing during the second half of March, 1990, by 5% and to maintain the reduced level of prices up to the end of September, 1990. The hank Yarn Price Monitoring Committee will make a review in July, 1990 regarding the level of prices to prevail from October, 1990 onwards.

[*Translation*]

Financial Aid for Catscanner in Udaipur Hospital

10062. SHRI GULAB CHAND KATARIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide financial aid to Rajasthan Government for enabling the State to make available Catscanner machine in Udaipur hospital for skull X-ray for newro-surgery;

(b) whether Udaipur Division is a tribal dominated area,

(c) if so, whether this machine is urgently needed for cheap and proper treatment; and

(d) if so, the time by which the machine will be made available there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). The Catscanner is mainly used for diagnosis purposes and is not used for treatment. Central Government has no proposal to instal the Catscanner in Udaipur Hospital. However, one such machine is proposed to be installed in S.M.S Medical College, Jaipur under Indo-Japanese aid programme.

[*English*]

Sterilisation in Maharashtra

10063. SHRI S.B. THORAT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: