Post-Mortem of AIDS Cases

4427. SHRI GANGA CHARAN LODHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his attention has been drawn to the newsitem appearing in Jansatta dated 24 February, 1990 under caption "Ab Ghabraya Hun Hain Cheerfaar Gharon Main Kaam Karne Wale":
- (b) the daily average number of post mortems being conducted in Union Government hospitals of Delhi; and
- (c) the safety measures being adopted to protect the employees engaged in post mortem work from AIDS and other fatal diseases?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

[English]

Availability of Grocery Items in Super Bazar

4428. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUP-PLIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the brands of the grocery items on the inventory of the Super Bazar are not available with all the branch stores of Super Bazar;
 - (b) if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to ensure their availability in all the branches?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA):
(a) to (c). The branch stores of Super Bazar have limited area. The branches are located in different parts of the capital including posh areas and JJ clusters. Efforts are made to make available as far as possible all the brands of different grocery items on the inventory of the store, but certain variations are there at different localities depending on limitation of space; inventory control limits, the type of clientele which a branch has to cater to and the demand pattern of consumers of the particular area.

[Translation]

Deaths due to Encephalities in Eastern U.P.

4429. SHRI HARSHA VARDHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of people are dying every year from encephalities epidemic in eastern Uttar Pradesh for want of medicines and treatment;
- (b) if so, the remedial measures taken by Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether Government propose to set up a research centre at Gorakhpur to eradicate this disease completely from the country and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) Japanese Encephalitis is a highly fatal disease and the usual fatality rate associated with the disease ranges from 30 to 45 percent. During the last few years, there had been reports of increasing prevalance and deaths from Japanese Encephalitis from some parts of the country including Uttar Pradesh.