(iii) Dwibhasha Kosh

(a) Hindi-Marathi

53

(b) others

68 to 70

The students, teachers and retailers are also allowed a discount which ranges from 25 per cent to 40 per cent of the sale price.

[English]

List of Essential Drugs for Hospiatls

- * 457. SHRI C. P. THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to make a short list of essential drugs to be made available in all hospitals in the country and:
- (b) if so, the steps being taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b). Government had appointed a Task Force in July 1982 to draw a common Hospital formulary for the Central Government hospitals in Delhi to enable the hospital authorities to ensure and monitor the availability of adequate supply of essential medicines. The list drawn up by the Task Force was circulated to all the Central Government hospitals and the Directors of Heath Services of all States and Union Territories for information and guidance.

[Translation]

Medical Facilities for Psychiatric Patients

*458. SHRI SARFARAZ AHMAD: SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR:

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

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news item published in the daily Janasatta dated 28 January, 1986 under the caption "Manochikitsak ki Bimari" and the reaction of Government thereto;

- (b) the steps being taken by Government to provide better medical facilities to psychiatric patients in the Central Government hospitals; and
- (c) whether Government propose to increase the number of doctors in view of the increasing number of such patients and if so, by what time?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE (DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) to (c). The Government has seen the subject 'News Item'.

According to the information received from Municipal Corporation, Delhi, the concerned Doctor has been keeping indifferent health since last year and has taken leave many times. It has also been informed that during the period when this Doctor is on leave, the patients are attended to by the Medicine Department.

Facilities for mental health counselling and treatment are available in Mental Hospitals/Institutions as well as in General Hospitals in most of the States. With a view to provide further facilities in this behalf, the Government has decided to launch the National Mental Health Programme in the 7th Five Year Plan period the details of which are being worked out.

[English]

Involvement of Farmers in Planning and Management of Irrigation System

- *459. SHRI K.V. SHANKARA GOWDA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have urged the engineers to involve farmers in the planning and management of irrigation system;
- (b) If so, whether Government have felt that this is vital for extending the benefits of the available water resources to a large number among farming community;