

which was noticed recently was immediately weeded out.

(c) The University has taken steps to improve the amenities in hostels and made provision for more extra curricular activities. The evil effects of drugs are explained to students through lectures, film shows, etc.

Central Health Services Doctors Strike

*72. SHRI KRISHNA SINGH:
SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:

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

(a) the reasons which led to dead-lock in the talks between Government and the representatives of Central Health Services doctors and their strike from 20 July, 1987;

(b) the demands of the doctors and Government's position thereon; and

(c) what future course of action has been decided by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) (a) to (c). The Joint Action Council of Central Health Services and other services doctors' associations have unconditionally withdrawn the strike with effect from 29th July, 1987.

Deaths of Children due to Dreaded Diseases

*73. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA:
SHRI MOHANBHAI PATEL:

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

(a) the number of children who die every year in the country due to dreaded diseases like polio, tuberculosis, tetanus, whooping cough, Diarrhoea and throat infection;

(b) the number of such deaths during the last three years, year-wise in each State;

(c) whether the facilities for the treatment of these diseases are being provided in urban areas whereas most of the deaths occurred in rural areas; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to provide the facilities for the treatment of these dreaded diseases in rural areas also?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) (a) and (b). Two Statements are placed on the Table of the Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4571/87]

(c) and (d). Facilities for treatment of the diseases are being provided both in the urban and rural areas through the medical and health institutions. However, the mortality and morbidity of children can be prevented to a great extent by preventing the diseases for which the Government has launched the Universal Immunization Programme and the Oral Rehydration Therapy. Efforts are also being taken to further strengthen the health infrastructure in the rural areas.

Shortage of Doctors in CGHS Dispensaries in Delhi

*74. SHRI BHATTAM SRIRAMA MURTY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government Health Scheme Dispensaries in Delhi are facing shortage of doctors;

(b) if so, the extent of the shortage and the reasons thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to overcome the shortage of doctors in the near future; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard?