

(d) the steps taken by Government to treat such addicts and how much amount is earmarked for the purpose during the year 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (c) No, Sir. However, in the year 1988 Ministry of Welfare sponsored 23 studies in 31 towns and 2 border areas on a common format basis for the assessment of the problem of drug abuse, drug users and drug prevention services. This survey covered total sample of 6382 addicts.

(d) 108 Counselling centres, 36 deaddiction centres and 7 after-care centres have already been set up through voluntary organisations to provide treatment facilities to drug addicts and to check the increase in their number all over the country. During the current financial year, 1990-91, a provision of Rs. 4.50 crore has been earmarked for drug abuse prevention programmes.

[*Translation*]

Gum Lying with TRIFED

4559. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAVINCHANDRA MEHTA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of gum lying with Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED) and value thereof;

(b) the number of godowns and offices hired by this Federation since 1 June, 1990 in Bombay to store gum and the monthly rent to be paid therefor; and

(c) the names of agencies from whom these godowns and offices have been hired?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) The quantity of gum available with TRIFED as on 18-8-1990 is as given below:—

Grade	Qty. in MTs.	Value (Rs. in lakhs)
Gr. I	601.47	312.76
Gr. II	802.83	341.67
Gr. III	1324.12	440.88
TOTAL	2728.42	1095.31

(b) and (c) Two godowns have been hired by TRIFED at Bombay from the following agencies at the rate of Rs. 31325.00 and Rs. 9922.75 respectively being monthly rent after 1st June, 1990 for storing gum and other commodities:—

1. The Ledgat Cotton Press Co., 16, Magazine Street, Darukhana, Bombay.
2. M/s. Premcem Gums Pvt. Ltd., Salt Pam Road, Anotop Hill, Vadala, Bombay.

[*English*]

Subsidy on Janata Cloth

4560. SHRIMATI T. MANEM-MA:

SHRI HARISH PAL:

SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have increased to subsidy on janata cloths;

(b) is so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to withdraw the increased subsidy; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The rate of subsidy payable on janata cloth has been increased from Rs. 2.75 per square metre to Rs. 3.40 per square metre w.e.f. 1-7-1990 to

partly neutralise the increase in yarn prices during the past two years and also to enable the weavers to earn better wages.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Costs of yarn and other raw materials have not fallen as compared to those prevailing two years ago. Withdrawal of the increased subsidy will therefore render production of janata cloth un-economical and necessitate upward revision of selling prices of cloth and/or reduction in wages to handloom weavers which will defeat the basic objectives of the janata cloth scheme.

Promotion of Homoeopathic Pharmacy Education

4561. SHRI A. ASOKARAJ:
SHRI GANGA CHARAN
LODHI:

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

(a) whether Government propose to promote the Homoeopathy Pharmacy Education in the country.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) to (c) Government had received a request for introducing initially Diploma in Pharmacy Course for Homoeopathic Pharmacists from the Homoeopathic Pharmaceutical Science Mission of India. The matter was considered in consultation with the Central Council of Homoeopathy who agreed with the requirement and demand for institutionally trained Homoeopathic Pharmacists all over the country. They also suggested that till the formation of Homoeopathy Pharmacy Council, the Pharmacy Council of India be entrusted with the work and 5 members from the Central Council

of Homoeopathy can be nominated to the Pharmacy Council of India.

[*Translation*]

Financial Assistance for Cat Scanning Machine in Udaipur

4562. SHRI GULAB CHAND KATARIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide financial assistance for installing Cat Scanning machine in Udaipur division which is a Adivasi dominated area; and

(b) whether Government propose to provide financial assistance to those poor and Adivasi people who cannot go to other places for treatment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Proposal from Cancer Relief Society

4563. PROF. MAHADEO SHIWANKAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Cancer Relief Society had sent any proposal to Union Government through Health Department, Maharashtra, on 18 January, 1989 as well as on 6 April, 1990;

(b) if so, the action taken so far or being taken in regard thereto; and

(c) the reasons for delay in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) to (c): Cancer Relief-Society, Nagpur submitted a proposal through Government of Maharashtra in letter dated 19-1-89, for recognition of Rashtra