

WHO Assistance for Leprosy Programme

*741. SHRI YELLAIAH NANDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the World Health Organization assistance obtained for leprosy programme is being used for expenditure on establishment, conferences as well as monitoring and evaluation of the leprosy programme;

(b) if so, the total amount of such WHO assistance being utilized annually for various programmes;

(c) whether in view of the economic crisis any steps are contemplated to stop foreign assistance for financing such normal activities of the Government.

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIM.L.FOTEDAR):
(a) WHO assistance is utilised or critical activities that would contribute to the strengthening of the National Leprosy Eradication Programme. The broad activities include fellowship and training in leprosy control, institutional strengthening supply of essential material and equipments, anti-leprosey drugs, operational research activities, organisation of special orientation exercises, monitoring with the assistance of consultants and independent evaluation of National Leprosy Eradication Programme.

(b) The assistance provided by WHO from WHO Country budget for NLEP activities is shown below:

<i>Biennium</i>	<i>Expenditure (US\$)</i>
1988-89(1st Jan.88- 31st Dec.,89)	14,80,210
1990-91(1st Jan.90- 31st Dec.,91)	6,31,000

(c) No Sir,

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The activities undertaken with W.H.O. funds are all essential for the success of the programme and in view of financial constraints it is all the more necessary to utilise the extra-budgetary resources from W.H.O. for supplementing the funds available for this programme in the Plan.

Immunization of Children

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*742. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD:
SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND

FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some children have died due to reaction of immunization vaccines in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such deaths during the last three years State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIM.L.FOTEDAR):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A statement is attached.