(b) whether the Government propose to initiate action against DESU for this hazardous pollution of the environment; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government has taken up the matter regarding management of fly-ash in an environmentally sound manner with the DESU and Delhi Administration.

IMPORT OF PACEMAKERS FROM USA

131. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the pacemakers imported from U.S.A. for implementation in patients are retrieved from the bodies and are not allowed to be reused in U.S.;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for importing such devices the use of which is considered unethical in the medical world; and

(c) whether Government proposes to stop the imports of pacemakers from U.S.A.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI) : (a) and (b) No case of implementation of pacemakers retrieved from the bodies in the patients has come to the notice of the Government.

(c) There is no restriction to import from any country except South Africa, Fiji and Iraq. IMPACT OF FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAMME ON POPULATION

132. SHRI RAM VII AS PASWAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the percentage rise in country's population (men, women and children, separately) according to provisional 1991 Census;

(b) the names of the States which have shown consistent rising trend in population and the percentage rise thereof;

(c) whether the Family Planning Programmes have not yielded the desired results and have failed to achieve the objectives; and

(d) if so, the new strategy proposed to be formulated by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI): (a) The provisional population totals based on 1991 Census so far available from Registrar General and Census Commissioner, India gives the percentage rise only in respect of total popula-According to 1991 Census, the tion. percentage rise in the total population is 23.5% over the 1981 Census figure. The annual exponential growth rate of the population during the decade 1981-91 is 2.11%.

(b) A statement giving State-wise percentage decadal variation in population during the last four decades i.e. 1951-61 to 1981-91 is attached.

(c) The targets envisaged to be reached by the end of Seventh Plan in respect of the Family Planning Programme and the latests achievements available against these indicators are given here under :----

Indicator					Target by the end of Seventh Plan (1990)	Latest achieve- ments (1989)
1. Birth Rate (per 1000 population)					29.1	30.5
2. Couple Protection Rate	•	•	•	•	42%	43.3% (as on 31st March 1990)
3. Infant Mortality Rate (per 1000 live births)				•	90	91