

Medical Hospitals

463. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is lack of proper medical facilities in the Government hospitals under the control of Union Government in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to provide more medical facilities in these hospitals;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d) Proper medical facilities are available in Central Government Hospitals. However, upgradation of facilities in the Central Government hospitals is taken up each year within the overall availability of resources.

Sub-standard Medicines

464. SHRI PREM CHAND RAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sale of sub-standard medicines has increased at present in the country; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA) (a) As per information available from the States, during the last 3 years sale of sub-standard medicines has not increased.

(b) Does not arise.

(English)

CGHS Dispensaries

465. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of CGHS dispensaries in Andhra Pradesh at present;

(b) the amount spent on each of these dispensaries during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Government propose to open more CGHS dispensaries in this State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) There are 14 Allopathic Dispensaries, 2 Ayurvedic Units, 2 Homoeopathic Units and 2 Unani Units in Andhra Pradesh at present.

(b) Dispensary-wise expenditure is not maintained.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) There is a proposal to open 2 Allopathic dispensaries under CGHS at Hyderabad during 1995-96, subject to approval by Ministry of finance.

Medical Colleges

466. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMCHANDRAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for starting medical colleges in Kerala is pending with the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the decision of the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (c) A proposal for starting of a medical college was received from the Academy of Medical Sciences, Pariyarma, Kannur Distt., Kerala. As per the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 1993 and Regulation notified thereunder, the letter of intent has been issued.

Nutrition Level

467. PROF. UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the normal per head calorie required/available in the country;

(b) whether this is very low compared to the International Standards; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to achieve the required nutrition levels in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) A Committee constituted by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) recommended different calories intake according to age, sex and activity levels. However, energy deficiency exists in some groups of the population, especially pre-school children.

(b) The standard recommended by ICMR is comparable with that recommended by WHO for people who have high activity levels.

(c) In order to improve nutrition levels, a number of measures are already being implemented which include mid-day meal programmes, supplementary feeding for pre-school children, control of iodine deficiency disorders, distribution of iron and folic acid, vitamin A prophylaxis.

Ban on Sale of Shampoo

468. SHRI P. KUMARASAMY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the 'Economic Times' dated January 11, 1995 captioned 'Shampoo may cause cancer's: study';

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to ban the sale of