

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) As per available informations, there are 80 units all over the country for treatment of drug addicts.

(b) A Plan Proposal for setting up de-addiction units for treatment of drug addicts in Delhi has been approved by the Planning Commission. The State Governments will be requested to allocate funds and adopt this model.

Nutritious Noon Meals Scheme of Tamil Nadu

5504. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the enlarged nutritious noon meals scheme initiated by Tamil Nadu Government for which assistance of the World Bank is being sought through Planning Commission; and

(b) the steps being taken on the request of Tamil Nadu Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) and (b). The proposal for an Integrated Nutrition-cum-Health Project covering the entire State of Tamil Nadu with the assistance of the World Bank is under formulation by the Government of Tamil Nadu, and will be considered by this Department on its receipt.

Youth Hostels to Promote Youth Tourism

5505. SHRI JAGANNATH PATTNAIK : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Union Government have recently decided to set up 60 youth hostels at important tourist centres and trekking routes during the current plan to promote youth tourism; and

(b) if so, the details regarding this new plan of Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is given below. Depending upon the availability of land from the state governments at the places identified for construction of youth hostels, construction of youth hostels will be sanctioned. In case the state governments provide land at places other than those identified by the Working Group, youth hostels will be sanctioned at those places also if they are found to be important from the point of view of youth travel.

Statement

The following places have been identified for setting up youth hostels :

1. Nagarjunasagar
2. Ranchi
3. Bodhgaya
4. Simla
5. Chandigarh
6. Srinagar
7. Gulmarg
8. Bangalore
9. Khajuraho
10. Bombay
11. Gopalpur-on-sea
12. Bikaner
13. Jaisalmer
14. Chittorgarh
15. Mussoorie
16. Uttarkashi (U.P.)
17. Barkul (Chilka Lake)
18. Cherrapunji
19. Tura