[English]

Diabetes Patients

- 337. SHRI K.P. MOHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government are aware that by year 2025 India will have over 57.2 million diabetes patients; and
- (b) if so, the preventive measures suggested by medical experts to prevent the rise of diabetes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) No specific reliable date is available regarding diabetic patients. However, as per WHO projection 57 million people likely to be afflicated by diabetes in India by the year 2025.

- (b) The following preventive measures are suggested by medical experts.
 - 1. Awareness and early detection
 - 2. Modification of life style
 - Reduction of risk factors like obesity, hypertension etc.
 - 4. Screening of the family with history of diabetes.

[Translation]

Oil Exploration by Public Sector Companies

- 338. SHRI NARENDRA BUDANIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether public sector companies involved in exploration of oil reserves have found out several wells of oil during the Eighth five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the number to wells identified alongwith the locations, company-wise; and
- (c) the quantum of oil extracted from each of the well and the left-over oil reserve till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. ONGC and OIL have discovered 49 new oil structures/oil finds and identified several new pools in the already discovered fields during the VIIIth Plan period in the states of Assam, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Western and Eastern offshore.

Some of the new oil finds are still under assessment and delineation for evaluating their potential. The production from 28 locations have commenced and its cumulative production during the period has been about 0.09 MMT. The left over reserves from the new locations are estimated to be about 11 MMT.

[English]

Committee on Uniform Medical and Dental Education

- 339. SHRI B.M. MENSINKAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government had set up a Committee in late eighties to advice it on State-wise uniformity and coordination in medical and dental education in the country;
- (b) whether one of the suggestion was that a separate university should be set up in each States;
- (c) if so, the details of those States which have since implemented these recommendations as yet; and
- (d) the progress achieved so far in the remaining states in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

- (c) So for the following State Government have established their University of Health Sciences in the respective States affiliating all the medical and dental colleges in the States:-
 - Tamil Nadu The Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR University of Health Sciences.
 - Andhra Pradesh NTR University of Health Sciences.
 - 3. Karnataka The Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences.
- (d) Out of the remaining States, the Maharashtra Government has informed that they have also set up University of Health Sciences but the details are not available. In addition, the Government of Punjab has informed that Babe Farid University of Health Sciences has come up in Fardikot.

Bonded Labour in Carpet Industry

340. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state: