से अनरोध है कि वह मेरे चुनाव क्षेत्र सोलन जिले तथा हिमाचल के अन्य क्षेत्रों में बसने वाले गरीब किसानों को तुरन्त मदद प्रदान करें ताकि वे जीवित रह सकें। इस भारी नुकसान के कारण वहां के लोगों के सामने, जीवन मरण का सवाल उठ खड़ा हुआ है।

SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI (Patna): Under Rule 377, I am making a statement. Even after 33 years of independence, 78 per cent of the medicines, sold in India, are in the hands of the multinational drug firms; 16 per cent in Indian private sector and 6 per cent in public sector. No serious effort was made for research and development of drugs in our country re. suitability and requirements of our own people. India possesses sufficient technical and technological know-how to make the country self-reliant in the production of drugs.

According to the report of WHO, 80 per cent medicines, sold in India, are not essential. Essential and life-saving drugs are always in short supply while tonics and vitamins are flooding the market. There is no relation between the total sales of medicines and the prevalent diseases. The drugs, which are banned in the country or origin, are freely sold in India by the multinational drug firms. Substandard and spurious drugs are being sold in large quantities.

No effective steps have been taken to check high prices of drugs which are beyond the reach of common man. Recommendations of Hathi Committee Report also did not make any basic change in the Government's policy.

Drug industry failed to generate employment potential. On the contrary, work force complement is being reduced systematically through computerisation and mechanisation. A large number of workers are kept temporary year after year and a large number of workers are employed by the contractors.

To curb trade union activities, trade union functionaries are being victimised in large numbers. Lock-outs and closures are being frequently restored to. The manufacturers frequently disrupt the production of vital medicines on some plea or other.

Repeated efforts for tripartite conference on drug industry have been ignored by the Government.

To focus the attention of the Government and the general people an All India convention of Drug Industry has been organised at Delhi on 9-4-1981 by the Federation of Medical Representatives Association of India and the All India Chemical & Pharmaceutical Employees Federation.

Government should take effective steps in the matter.

(v) WORKING OF THE MENTAL HOSPITAL AT RANCHI.

श्री राजनाथ सोनकर शास्त्री (सैदपुर) : माननीय सभापति जी, मैं आपके माध्यम से स्वास्थ्य मंत्री जी का ध्यान बिहार में रांची स्थित मनःचिकित्सा संस्थान की ओर ले जाना चाहूंगा। इस संस्थान की स्थापना 1918 में ब्रिटिश काल में अंग्रेजों द्वारा की गई थी। उस समय इस स्थान का देश में काफी नाम था। भारत के हर कोने से मानसिक रोगी यहां आते थे और लगभग 90 प्रतिशत स्वस्थ हो कर अपने घरों को वापस चले जाते थे।

मानसिक चिकित्सा के लिये देश प्रसिद्ध संस्थान की लोकप्रियता और महत्ता को देखते हुए 1962 में इस मानसिक चिकित्सा का उच्च अध्ययन केन्द्र केन्द्रीय