

free medical treatment have been established and a ten bedded hospital at Gurushigangj has been sanctioned. Prototype schemes for beedi workers suffering from cancer, TB, leprosy and mental diseases are being implemented. In 1988-89 an amount of Rs. 8,99,940 was disbursed as scholarship to 2724 wards of beedi workers and an amount of Rs. 35,000/- was paid as financial assistance to 700 wards of beedi workers for purchase of school dress.

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Indian Population Project

6529 SHRIRAMESH CHENNITHALA
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts selected for implementing IPP (Indian Population Project) in the country

(b) whether there is any proposal to extend the programme

(c) whether Government proposal to include more districts in this programme and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD)

(a) The India population Projects have been taken up in 36 Districts of the country with World Bank assistance.

(b) Yes Sir

(c) and (d) A Sixth National Family Welfare Training and manpower Development Population Project (IPP) - VI has been approved for implementation on a State-wide basis in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya

Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh with World Bank assistance. The World Bank has also been approached for assistance for taking up 7th National Training and Manpower Development Population Project (IPP-VII) in the states of Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Punjab and Jammu and Kashmir.

Expansion of Central Research Institute for Homoeopathy

6531 SHRIRAMESH CHENNITHALA
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for expansion of Central Research Institute for Homoeopathy, Sechivothamapuram, Kottayam, Kerala

(b) if so, the details thereof

(c) whether Government propose to curtail the research activities of this Institute, if so, the reasons therefor

(d) whether Government have received any representation against this decision, and

(e) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD)

(a) No Sir

(b) Does not arise

(c) The Central Research Institute for Homoeopathy (CRIH), Kottayam is engaged in research on diabetes, allergic diseases and behavioural disorders. The Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) of the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy has recommended that the CRIH, Kottayam be assigned problems relating to Behavioural Disorders. However, the existing research activities have not been curtailed.