(b) to (d) In so far as Central Government Hospitals in Delhi i.e. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, the life saving and essential medicines are supplied free of cost to OPD/IPD patients.

UN report on AIDS

- 496. SHRI SUNIL SHASTRI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether as per the latest report of UN on AIDS, unless rich nations step up their efforts to curb the disease, AIDS will kill 70 million people over the next 20 years;
 - (b) whether Government have studied the said report;
 - (c) if so, the details of the alarming facts made by the UN report;
- (d) the specific steps Government propose to take or concrete plans Government have chalked out to combat this disease; and
- (e) the number of AIDS infected people in the country as on 31st March in 2000, 2001 and 2002, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY JWELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The UN report on the global HIV/AIDS epidemic as on end 2001 shows world-wide figures on HIV/AIDS as follows:

Number of people living with HIV/AIDS — 40 million

Number newly infected in 2001 · 5 million

AIDS deaths in 2001 Number of children orphaned by AIDS — 14 million

- (d) In order to prevent and control HIV/AIDS, a comprehensive Programme is currently under implementation throughout the country as a centrally sponsored scheme. The main components consist of:—
 - * Reducing the spread of HIV in groups at high risk by identification of target populations and providing peer counselling, condom promotion, and treatment of sexually transmitted infections.
 - * Preventive intervention for the general population by Information, Education and Communications (IEC) and awareness compaign,

- provision of voluntary testing and counselling, safe blood transfusion services and prevention of occupational exposure.
- * Providing financial assistance for opportunistic infections, home and community based care.
- * Strengthening effectiveness and technical managerial, financial sustainability at National, State and Municipal levels.
- * Promoting collaboration amongst public, private and voluntary sectors.
- (e) A Statement indicating State-wise reported number of AIDS cases as on 31st March 2000, 2001 and 2002 is annexed.

Statement
State-wise reported number of AIDS cases as on 31st March, 2000, 2001 AND 2002

S.	Name of State	Cumulative no. of AIDS Cases as on			
No.		31st March			
		2000	2001	2002	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	48	612	1316	
2.	Assam	95	110	149	
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	
4.	A & N Islands	9	13	20	
5.	Bihar	39	44	103	
6.	Chandigarh (UT)	238	292	470	
7.	Delhi	283	500	660	
8.	Daman & Diu	1	1	1	
9.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0	
10.	Goa	29	29	<i>7</i> 7	
11.	Gujarat	382	689	1465	
12.	Haryana	48	48	189	
13.	Himachal Pradesh	40	85	91	
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	2	2	2	
15.	Karnataka	745	918	1337	

S.	Name	Cumulative no. of AIDS Cases as on 31st March		
No.	of State			
		2000	2001	2002
16.	Kerala	162	267	267
17.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
18.	Madhya Pradesh	620	664	759
19.	Maharashtra	3726	4459	7045
20.	Orissa	54	55	82
21.	Nagaland	80	103	235
22.	Manipur	726	790	1095
23.	Mizoram	15	16	20
24.	Meghlaya	8	8	8
25.	Pondicherry	141	141	157
26.	Punjab	131	131	135
27.	Rajasthan	212	272	394
28.	Sikkim	2	2	4
29.	Tamil Nadu	8570	9714	16677
30.	Tripura	0	0	0
31.	Uttar Pradesh	259	282	506
32.	West Bengal	57	57	831
33.	Ahmedabad M. Corpn.	0	0	267
	Total	16722	20304	34362

Policy regarding opening of CGHS Dispensaries

497. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the policy of Government regarding opening of CGHS dispensaries or recognizing private hospitals/clinics;
- (b) whether Government are considering phasing out CGHS and provide insurance cover to Government employees; and
- (c) the extent of corruption and inefficiency in hospitals and dispensaries under CGHS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) The Staff Inspection Unit of the