

in the country including the following six Suverillance Centres established in Tamil Nadu :—

(1) Christian Medical College, Vellore.

(2) Appolo Hospital, Madras.

(3) Institute of Child Health, Madras.

(4) Madras Medical College, Madras.

(5) Tuberculosis Research Centre, Madras.

(6) Madurai Medical College, Madurai.

#### **Price decontrol of Rehydration Salt**

3144. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had recommended for price decontrol of Rehydration Salt needed for Dehydration programme ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that dehydration is one of the National Health Programme.

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government are purchasing Oral Rehydration Salt ;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the Department of Chemicals have excluded this salt from price control ;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether this Rehydration programme has also been deleted from the National Health Programme; if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) This Ministry has not recommended for price decontrol of Oral Rehydration Salts (ORS).

(b) and (f) Dehydration is not a National Health Programme, However, Management of Diarrhoeal Diseases among children through promotion of or Oral Rehydration Therapy is a National Programme.

(c) The Central Government is providing funds to the States/U.Ts for purchase of Oral Rehydration Salts (World Health Organisation recommended formulas).

(d) and (e) The Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals however, deleted Oral Rehydration Salts from the amended Drugs Prices Control Order in January, 1989 on the ground that Oral Rehydration Salt is not a single bulk drug but it is a combination of a number of inorganic salts and dextrose. The Category I list consists of singly bulk drug for the purpose of price control with M.A.P.E. (Maximum Allowable Post manufacturing Expenses) of 75%.

#### **Job reservation policy in Defence Organisations**

3145. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the job reservation policy of Government is fully implemented in the Defence Accounts Deptts. Coast Guard Organisation, Bharat Earth Movers Limited, and Defence Research and Development Organisation ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and