establish a medical college. No proposal for establishment of medical college at Anantnag, J&K has been received by the Central Government.

(c) Does not arise.

Delay in switch over to Euro-III petrol and diesel

4221. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the commitment given by the Public Sector Oil Companies about their readiness to meet the deadline of 1 April, 2010 for introducing of Euro-III petrol and diesel throughout the country, except 13 major cities that graduate to Euro-IV, is likely to be met;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor in the wake of reiteration of this commitment till end of 2009; and
- (c) the time frame within which fuel quality upgradation projects or its logistics would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLUEM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (c) All out efforts have been made by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoP&NG) as well as the oil industry to adhere to the schedule of implementation of the BS-III/IV Petrol and Diesel. However, in view of the vast size of our country with varied terrain and numerous logistical challenges, it was not possible to introduce BS-III fuels from a single given date. Therefore, Government has decided that BS-III Petrol and Diesel in the rest of the country be introduced in a phased manner between 1.4.2010 and 1.10.2010.

BS-III Petrol and Diesel have already been introduced in Goa state with effect from 1.4.2010.

Reimbursement of medical treatment costs

4222. PROF. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether pensioners/families are eligible for reimbursement on taking treatment in the private/CGHS panelled hospitals and whether they can approach private/CGHS panelled hospitals directly on their own without being referred by their concerned dispensaries;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor and whether there is any proposal to allow them in this regard;

- (c) whether there has been a shift in Government strategy for implementation of flagship programmes and other Centrally sponsored schemes like health care; and
- (d) if so, the details of steps taken in the implementation of flagship programme such as health care?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) CGHS Pensioner beneficiaries and their dependant family members can directly go to a private empanelled hospital only in emergency conditions. Otherwise, they have to take permission to take treatment in private empanelled hospitals on the basis of the advice of Government specialists. There is no proposal under consideration to permit pensioner beneficiaries to directly go to a private empanelled hospital for treatment without obtaining prior permission.

(c) and (d) The National Rural Health Mission is the flagship programme of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. A note on its implementation is enclosed as Statement.

Statement

Note on the implementation of National Rural Health Mission

The National Rural Health Mission has shown remarkable progress over the years it has successfully brought poor rural households back to public system by providing doctors, drugs and diagnostics at health care facilities.

Almost 7.49 lakh ASHAs and over 1 lakh Specialists, MBBS Doctors, Nurses, ANMs, Paramedics, AYUSH Doctors have been added to the system of health care. Also 5.20 lakhs ASHAs have been provided drug kits.

1,691 professionals (CA/MBA/MCA) have been appointed in the State and 639 District level Program Management Units (PMU) and 3,760 Block level Programme Management Units (BPMU) have been established to support NRHM.

Further under Infrastructure Development 1.46 lakhs Sub Centres in the country are provided with untied funds of Rs.10,000 each. 4,42,817 Sub Centres & VHSC have operational joint accounts of ANMs and Pradhans for utilization of annual united funds. 40,426 Sub Centres are functional with second ANM.

Out of 4276 Community Health Centres, 3029 CHCs have been selected for upgradation to IPHS and facility survey has been completed in 2880 CHCs (includes other also). 29,223 Rogi Kalyan Semites have been registered at different level of facilities.

In 356 districts, the Mobile Medical Units have been operationalised till date. Under Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) 7.04 lakh women are benefited in the year 2005-06, 29.31 lakh in 2006-07, 71.19 lakh in 2007-08, 86.22 lakh in 2008-09 and 78.41 in the year 2009-10.

With the help of Neonatology Forum over 2,42,079 health care personnel trained in Newborn Care in the country. Monthly Health and Nutrition Days being organized at the village in various States. The States have constituted 4.51 lakh Village Health and Sanitation Committees. They are being involved in dealing with disease outbreak. Also Convergence with ICDS/Drinking Water/Sanitation/NACO/PRIs ground work completed. School health programmes have been initiated in over 26 States.

Project Implementation Plan (PIPs) of the States under NRHM has been apprised and funds are being released to the states after critical scrutiny of PIPs. The first cut of Integrated District Health Action Plans (DHAP) has been finalized for 617 districts.

ALLOCATION FOR HEALTH OVER THE MISSION PERIOD:

The allocation over the mission period until now has increased significantly from Rs.6731.16 crores in 2005-06 to Rs.14,050 crores in 2009-10. The year wise details are noted below:

During the FY 2005-06, Rs. 6731.16 crore.

During the FY 2006-07, Rs.9065 crore.

During the FY 2007-08, Rs. 11010 crore.

During the FY 2008-09, Rs.12050 crore.

During the FY 2009-10, Rs. 14050 crore.

Amount spent on combating diseases

 \dagger 4223. SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of patients suffering from diseases like Dengue, Malaria and Diphtheria across the country, State-wise; and
- (b) the amount allocated to the States to combat these diseases during the last three years indicating the amount utilized by the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) The number of cases of Dengue, Malaria and Diphtheria reported in the country during 2009, State-wise, are given in Statement (See below).

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.