

TUBERCULOSIS:

For the Projects assisted by International agencies, budget provision is provided under the Externally Aided Component (EAC) out of the Government of India funds and same are released to the State/District TB Societies. Based on the Expenditure Statements received from the societies, reimbursement is claimed from the donor agencies. The amount reimbursed from these agencies during year 2004-05 and 2005-06 is given as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Agency	Year 2004-05	Year 2005-06
World Bank	88.90	139.07
GFATM	18.01	25.00
DFID	7.53	35.00
DANIDA	1.00	*
USAID	1.99	2.00
GDF	16.00	**
GOI	0.20	0.20

- DFID—Department for International Development
- DANIDA—Danish International Development Agency
- GFATM—Global Fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria
- USAID—United States International Development Agency
- GDF—Global Drug Facility
- * Project ended in December, 2005.
- ** Provided commodity assistance upto year 2005.

Medical insurance

3134. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new medical insurance scheme has been worked out for Government employees and certain other categories

of beneficiaries covered by the present Central Government Health Scheme (C.G.H.S.) to provide for cashless medical facilities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the present status of its implementation; and

(c) the details of the service provider(s) or insurance company(ies) identified for implementing the scheme and the criteria evolved for selection of the service provider(s)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) In view of reply to (a) above, the questions do not arise.

Procurement of anti Bird Flu drugs

3135. SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that anti Bird Flu drugs were procured by Government from a license holder of Roche, the German drug multinational company;

(b) if so, the procedure followed to select the drug company and the price negotiated for the supply of drugs;

(c) whether an Indian Pharma Company claimed to supply the same drugs at much lesser price; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for not selecting them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government of India took a decision to stockpile one lakh courses of Oseltamivir. At that point of time M/s. Roche, Switzerland was the only manufacturer of the drug. M/s. Roche have supplied 30,000 packs of Tamiflu (Oseltamivir) at a special concessional price of Rs. 852/- per pack. M/s. Hetero Drugs Pvt. Ltd. An Indian Pharmaceutical Company. Subsequently obtained license to manufacture the drug. 70,000 packs of Oseltamivir capsules have been procured from M/s. Hetero Drugs Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, @ Rs. 710/- per pack (10 capsules per pack).