

### **Drug trials on pregnant and lactating women**

3007. SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that incidences of drug trials on unsuspecting patients particularly on pregnant and lactating women in hospitals and medical colleges have come to the notice of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) to (c) No such report has come to the notice of the Government. Clinical trials of drugs/vaccines in the country are permitted to be conducted in accordance with the requirements and guidelines specified in the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules 1945.

### **Study on prevalence of diabetes in the country**

3008. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted by the AIIMS in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) on the prevalence of diabetes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the outcome thereof; and

(c) the measures taken or proposed to be taken by Government to provide sufficient medical facilities to the diabetic patients?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No study has been conducted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) on the prevalence of diabetes in the country.

(b) Does not arise, in view of (a) above.

(c) The Government of India has approved a National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke at an estimated outlay of Rs. 1230.90 crore (Rs. 499.38 crore for Diabetes, CVD and Stroke and Rs. 731.52 crore for Cancer) for the Eleventh Five Year Plan. The programme focuses on health promotion, capacity building including human resource development, early diagnosis and management of these diseases and integration with the primary health care system.

The treatment of diabetes is by diet control, oral anti-diabetic drugs and insulin. The diabetic cases are treated in the health care delivery system upto the

Community Health Centres and district hospitals besides the State Government hospitals, Medical Colleges and premier institutions e.g. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, Jawaharlal Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry etc. The treatment for various illnesses including diabetes is either free or subsidised depending on the eligibility of patients.

#### **Prevention of cervical cancer**

3009. DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) was formulated for cervical cancer screening in 2006 to reduce the burden of cervical cancer;
- (b) if so, by when the implementation of screening and treatment of pre-cancer service (secondary prevention) as per the guidelines is to be initiated; and
- (c) the data collected in this aspect, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No. However, the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) is being implemented since 1975 with the objective of primary prevention through health education, secondary prevention through early detection and diagnosis of cancer and strengthening of cancer treatment facilities including cervical cancer. In addition, the comprehensive cancer detection and management facilities including cancer testing facilities in respective regions/States are provided by erstwhile 27 Regional Cancer Centres in different parts of the country.

(b) For making the programme more effective and easily accessible, the Government has recently reformulated the NCCP into a comprehensive National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS). For 2010-11 and 2011-12, a provision of Rs. 1230.90 crore has been made for NPCDCS out of which Rs. 731.52 crore is for Cancer component. The new programme envisages opening of NCD Clinics at the District Hospital which shall provide opportunistic screening to women in the age group 30-69 years for early detection of cancer cervix and breast cancer.

- (c) No such data is maintained by this Ministry.

#### **UNICEF's report on child mortality**

3010. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 1.83 million children under the age of five will die this year in the country as per the UNICEF's State of the World's Children, 2009;