- (a) whether it is a fact that per year malarial deaths in the country is almost 1,25,000;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the World Health Organisation (WHO) had reported that the malarial deaths in India is 15,000; and
 - (c) if so, what are the reasons for such discrepancy in data?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No.

- (b) Yes, as per World Health Organisation estimates, the deaths due to malaria in the country are around 15000 annually.
 - (c) Does not arise.

Target date for population stabilization

858. SHRIK.E. ISMAIL:

SHRIT.M. SELVAGANAPATHI:

SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has pushed back the target date for achieving population stabilization to 2070 from 2045;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that nearly half the population growth will be from just seven States; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No.

- (b) Question does not arise.
- (c) and (d) As per the report Census of India 2001 "Population Projections for India and States 2001-2026", the share of seven States including Uttar Pradesh in total projected population increase is 50.5% (UP: 22.2, Rajasthan: 6.7, Bihar: 8.3, MP: 7.4, Jharkhand: 2.9, Chhattisgarh: 2.1 and Uttarakhand: 0.9).

Status of polio eradication programme in the country

859. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK:

SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on polio eradication programme during the last three years in the country and also the amount spent on import of polio vaccines;