

Super speciality centre for treatment of heart patients

3643. PROF. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether nearly 15-20 crore citizens are suffering from heart related disease;
- (b) if so, whether there is any proposal to set up a super speciality centre for the treatment of heart patients on the pattern of Sports Injury Centre Safdarjung Hospital;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the measures taken to educate citizens as to how they can protect themselves from heart and diabetic diseases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY): (a) to (d) The "Report of the National Commission on Macro economics and Health" projects that the number of cases of cardiovascular diseases will increase from 380 lakhs in the year 2005 to 641 lakh cases in 2015.

The Government of India has initiated the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardio-vascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) in the 100 selected districts in 21 States. The community based strategies include awareness, building and creation of facilities for prevention and control of Non-Communicable Diseases including heart related diseases at various levels viz. Sub-Centres, Community Health Centres (CHCs), District Hospitals etc. in the health care delivery system.

Public awareness about banned drugs

3644. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has recently imposed ban on certain drugs in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps Government has taken to publicise the banned drugs to make the general public aware about the ban?