information from all the States and UTs regarding the patients suffering from severe diseases like cancer, diabetes etc. being treated at Government as well as Private Hospitals.

Streamlining of centrally-sponsored health scheme

233. SHRI N.K. SINGH:

168 Written Answers to

DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE:

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

- (a) whether Government is proposing any measures to streamline the Centrally sponsored health scheme to prevent multiplicity and introduce a holistic healthy systems approach;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) Many of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes have been collapsed into distinct flexible pools like NRHM-RCH Flexible Pool, Flexxible Pool for Communicable diseases, Flexible Pool for Non-communicable diseases, to provide flexibility in central funding for States.

Testing of contents of Tobacco Products

- 234. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has any mechanism for regular testing of various contents in gutkha, pan masala, gudakhu and other tobacco products like khaini in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, with reference to such products;
- (c) whether Government has taken note of the media/research reports of various cancerous diseases amongst users of gudakhu and other tobacco products in Odisha, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof;