Symposia/Workshops/Conferences, Grants-in-aid for National Afforestation and Eco-Development Programme, Animal Welfare Schemes, Wetland Conservation Programme, Mass Awareness Programme on Abatement of Environment Pollution, National Natural Resources Management Programme and Environmental Research Programme. 475 project proposals are pending for want of complete documents and will be considered only after receiving the same. The remainder were rejected for valid reasons.

Cobalt Therapy Machines For Cancer Control Treatment

- *270. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether several NGOs are playing a useful role with Government assistance under the National Cancer Control Programme, especially in establishing cancer facilities in rural and semi-urban areas;
- (b) if so, the number of Cobalt therapy machines which have been installed by them during the Ninth Five Year Plan; and
- (c) how Government Plan to support such NGOs during the Tenth Five Year Plan by providing more Cobalt therapy machines for cancer treatment?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) to (c) Under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP), financial assistance up to Rs. 1.00 Crore is provided to the NGOs for procurement of various equipment like cobalt Unit, Linear Accelerator, Simulator, HDR Brachy Therapy, Treatment Planning System (TPS) etc. under the Cobalt scheme. A list of NGOs who were assisted under Cobalt Scheme for establishing cancer treatment facilities during 9th Five Year Plan is given in the Statement (See below).

The revised strategy of NCCP proposed for the 10th Five Year Plan lays emphasis on involvement of NGOs for early detection and treatment of cancer through community based activities and strengthening the cancer treatment facilities in Government sector with a focus on reducing the geographical gaps in the availability of such facilities.

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Statement
List of NGOs which have been assisted with Cobalt grant during the 9th Five
Year Plan

		Amount in lakhs
1.	Rajkot Cancer Society, Rajkot, Gujarat	100.00
2.	Mahaveer Cancer Institute & Research Centre, Patna	100.00
3.	SIBAR Charitable Trust, Vijayawada, A.P.	100.00
4.	Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Jaipur	100.00
5.	Aware General Hospital Instt. Of Oncology, Cancer Research & Trust, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	100.00
6.	Smt. N.B.T. Rama Rao Memorial Cancer Foundation & Research Centre, Hyderabad, A.P.	100.00
7.	Sri Guru Ram Das Charitable Hospital Trust, Amritsar,	100.00
	Punjab	
8.	Cancer Hospital & Research Institute, Gwalior, M.P.	95.00
9.	Gujarat Cancer & Research Institute, Ahmedabad	100.00
10.	Kamla Nehru Memorial Hospital, Allahabad, U.P.	82.00
11.	RST Cancer Hospital, Nagpur, Maharashtra	100.00
12.	Namco Charitable Trust, Panchavati, Nasik, Maharashtra	100.00
13.	Dr. S.S. Yadav Bhagwan Charitable Instt. of Cancer,	100.00
	Rewari, Haryana	
14.	Cancer Instt. Chennai	22.00
15.	GSL Trust, Rajamundry, Andhra Pradesh	100.00
16.	Sheela Sharma Hospital, Mathura, U.P.	100.00
17.	Devraj Urs Educational Trust, Kolar, Karnataka	100.00
18.	Bapuji Cancer Hospital Trust, Davangare, Karnataka	100.00
19.	Meherbai Tata Hospital, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand	100.00

Note: ALL institutions except at S No. 17 have installed and commissioned the equipment.