These proposals are being processed in consultation with Indian Council of Medical Research keeping in view the parameters laid down for approval of new drugs in Schedule Y of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945.

Running of Santosh Medical and Dental College

*289. PROF. A. LAKSHMISAGAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Medical Council of India had allowed the Santosh Medical/Dental College/ Hospital in Ghaziabad (U.R) to run, despite gross discrepancies and without its fulfilling the requisite norms;
 - (b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and
 - (c) what steps have been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) to (c) On the recommendations of the Medical Council of India, permission of the Central Government was granted on 15.1.1996 for a period of one year for the establishment of Santosh Medical College at Ghaziabad with intake of 50 students. Subsequently, permission for admission of 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th batch of students was also renewed on the recommendation of the Medical Council of India after satisfying themselves of the infrastructural facilities available. The facilities for admission of 6th batch of students during 2000-2001 were, however, not found upto the mark by the Medical Council of India and they have not recommended for renewal of permission for admission of next batch of students in the college during 2000-2001; and therefore, permission for admission of students during 2000-2001 has not been granted.

Similarly, on the recommendations of the Dental Council of India, permission of the Central Government was granted on 5.2.1996 for establishment of Santosh Dental College at Ghaziabad with intake of 40 students. Subsequently, on the basis of the recommendations of the Dental Council of India, permission of Central Government has been renewed upto 4th year. The last permission for 4th year course was renewed on 8.9.2000. The recommendations of the Council for recognition of the BDS degree of this college are awaited.