

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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HERPES DISEASE
MANIBHAI RAMJIBHAI CHAUDHARY

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

- (a) whether the disease of herpes is fast spreading in youth and children in the country;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to contain it?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

- (a)&(b) Presently appropriate epidemiological information is not available to understand the magnitude of herpes, especially amongst youth and children.
- (c) There is no specific herpes control programme. The preventive and control measures for the disease are provided through general health services.