GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:228 ANSWERED ON:24.07.2000 UNAIDS GLOBAL REPORT ON HIV/AIDS CHANDRAKANT BHAURAO KHAIRE;GADDE RAMAMOHAN;GORDHANBHAI JAVIA;M.V.V.S MURTHI;SHIVAJI MANE;V.M. SUDHEERAN

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

(a) whether the Government are aware of the UNAIDSGlobal Reporton HIV/AIDS Epidemic, 2000 which revealed that 3.1 lakhs people died of AIDS in India during 1999;

(b) if so, whether the Government have examined this report;

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and other observations made in the report;

(d) whether the Government are agree with the UNAIDS Global Report;

(e) if not, the details of actual figure thereof, State- wise; and

(f) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to control this disease?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) : Yes, Sir. While the estimates of HIV infections are on the basis of surveillance reports undertaken annually by Government, the number of deaths quoted in the report are mere projections. Government, therefore, does not agree with the UNAIDS report on number of deaths.

(e): State-wise deaths reported to National AIDS Control Organisation is annexed.

(f): Govt. of India has launched comprehensive National AIDS Control Programme with the following key components.

- Reducing the spread of HIV in groups at high risk by identification of Target populations and providing peer counseling, condom promotion, treatment of sexually transmitted infections etc.

- Preventive intervention for the general population by Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and awareness campaign, provision of voluntary testing and counseling, safe blood transfusion services and prevention of occupational exposure.

- Providing financial assistance for opportunistic infections, home and Community based care to people living with HIV/AIDS.

- Strengthening effectiveness and technical, managerial, financial Sustainability at National, State and Municipal levels.

- Promoting collaboration amongst public, private and voluntary sector.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 228 FOR 24.7.2000

DEATH DUE TO HIV/AIDS

Sl.No. State/UT	1993	1994 1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
1. Andhra Pra.	1 -	4 4 - 6 -				
2. Assam 1	- 6	1	-			
3. Arunachal Pra.	. –			-		
4. A&N Islands				_		

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