

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2266
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2003
POLIO CASES IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some polio cases have been reported in Karnataka which were confirmed by the National Virology Institute, Pune;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have sent a special team to Karnataka to assess the situation;
- (d) if so, whether the Government have sanctioned additional funds to Karnataka for immunization programme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Information is annexed.

(c): Yes, Sir. The first case of polio in Karnataka was detected in Hospet block of Bellary district with the date of onset of paralysis on 3rd May, 2003. Subsequent investigation around the case indicated the possibility of some more cases of paralysis in the neighbourhood. In view of this finding and also because of a large number of under protected children in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh more so in Northern Karnataka and Western Andhra Pradesh, a mop-up operation covering 10 districts in Karnataka and 3 districts in Andhra Pradesh was planned. These cases of paralysis have now been confirmed as polio cases by the laboratory report. These cases (five in number in Bellary district of which 2 in Hospet block and 3 in Siruguppa block) validate the earlier investigation and the decision to undertake the mop-up. Officials from Government of India, WHO as well as State Government visited the area and had a meeting with districts officials including Districts Collectors. In the meeting it was decided to implement quality mop-up round of PPI in the vulnerable districts. The first round of the mop-up started on 27th July, 2003 while the second round is planned to be conducted on 7th September, 2003.

(d)&(e): A sum of Rs.14,40,921/- has already been advanced to Karnataka for conducting two round of mop-up activities on 29th June, and 3rd August 2003 in Bidar district, in response to the wild poliovirus reported from Nanded district of Maharashtra.

Annexure

Information referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha USQ No.2266 due for answer on 6.8.2003

Five polio cases have been reported from Karnataka during 2003. The details of the cases are as under:

S.No. Name of the Child Father's Name District Block Date of onset of paralysis

1. Basavraj Virpanna Hosmani Bellary Hospet 03/05/2003

2. Kalpana T.Eramma Bellary Siruguppa 15/06/2003

3. Manjuntha Uchappa Bellary Siruguppa 28/06/2003

4. Shanmukha Karililngappa Bellary Siruguppa 07/07/2003

5. Lakshmi Nayakara Narasadah Bellary Hospet 11/07/2003