

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2245
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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR HEALTH SECTOR
V.S. SIVAKUMAR

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

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from Kerala for World Bank Assistance for strengthening medical education and improving physical infrastructure of Government Medical Colleges and attached Hospitals; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The Government has received a proposal from Kerala for World Bank assistance for strengthening medical education and improving physical infrastructure of Government medical colleges & attached hospitals. The present focus of World Bank funding for health sector is on diseases control, primary health, family welfare and immunization. The proposal of Government of Kerala for strengthening medical education and improving physical infrastructure of Government medical colleges and attached hospitals is not in line with present priorities of World Bank funding for the Health Sector in India.