GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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CONTROL PREVENTION OF HIV/ AIDS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has failed to check the increasing number of HIV/AIDS patients in the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any scheme had been formulated by the Government to control AIDS during the last three years;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the funds allocated by the Government during the current year to meet the expenditure likely to be incurred on the prevention of AIDS, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

- (a) to (d) No Sir. In order to prevent and control the spread of HIV/AIDS in India, Govt. of India has launched a comprehensive National AIDS Control Programme Phase-II, currently under implementation throughout the country as a centrally sponsored scheme, which started in the 1999. The programme has following components: -
- # Preventive interventions for high-risk populations through targeted interventions adopting a multi-pronged strategy including peer counseling and behaviour change communication.
- # Preventive interventions for the general population through programmes for blood safety, voluntary counseling and testing services, Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission (PPTCT), Information Education and Communication (IEC).
- # Provision of low cost care and support services by providing community care Centers, treatment of opportunistic infections in all the medical colleges and districts hospitals and prevention of occupational exposure to the health services providers.
- # Collaborative efforts to promote inter-sectoral programme activities including workplace interventions and public-private partnerships.
- # Build technical and managerial capacities for programme implementation through Surveillance, Training, Monitoring and Evaluation, Technical Resource Groups, operational research and Programme management.
- (e) Rs. 533 cores has been allocated in the Budget Estimate for current year 2005-06.