

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

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SETTING UP OF NEW DRUG TESTING LABORATORIES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up more new food and drug testing laboratories in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise; and
- (c) the time by which these new laboratories are likely to start functioning?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Under the World Bank Assisted Capacity Building project new laboratories are being set up in the States of Jharkhand (Ranchi), Uttaranchal (Rudrapur), Chattisgarh (Raipur) for analysis of both food and drugs and Sikkim for analysis of food. These new laboratories are likely to become operational by September, 2008.