

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

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TRIPNOSOMISIS DISEASE

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the incidents of human beings getting infected by the tripnosomisis ,a disease found in animals , as has been reported in the `Dainik Bhaskar` of May 27, 2005;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ;
- (c) the research being conducted by the Government to fight the disease;
- (d) whether any help has been sought for from WHO, which is already conducting research on the disease; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): Govt. is aware of a stray incident of trypanosomiasis in human being in Chandrapur District of Maharashtra in October, 2004. The Govt. of India constituted a Multidisciplinary team for investigation of the case. The clinico-epidemiological investigation of the reported case revealed that it was an isolated case of infection caused by trypanosoma evansi in human beings which is prevalent amongst cattle in the area. It is a possibility that the same parasite got entry in an individual because of his occupation. The World Health Organisation (WHO) had extended technical support in the case management.

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