

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

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RISE IN HIV CASES

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

(a) whether International agencies like the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP), USAID and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundations have refused to provide financial aids for HIV infected patients;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a)to(c) No, Sir. National AIDS Control Programme is a national programme under the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. Adequate funds have been allocated for prevention, care and treatment of HIV infected persons. International organizations and private foundations such as USAID and Bill and Melinda Gates foundation are supporting NACP-III in various activities including Targetted Interventions for High Risk Groups, Treatment of Sexually Transmitted infections scaling up of ART services, training of human resources and strengthening monitoring and evaluation of various activities. However, under the NACP-III programme as approved by Government, there is no provision for individual grants and loans.