

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1866  
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HIV AFFECTED WOMEN  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the approximate number and percentage of HIV affected women in the country as on December 31, 2007;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to launch any scheme for treatment and rehabilitation of such women affected with HIV and abandoned by their families;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds sanctioned in this regard; and
- (d) the time by which such scheme is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

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

- (a): The estimated number of HIV infected women in 2006 is 0.96 million. 39.1% of the estimated total number of HIV infections in the country is in women. Estimates for 2007 are not available.
- ( b) to (d): Free treatment of eligible persons living with HIV/AIDS, including women, is provided through 137 ART centres in the country. US\$ 122.67 million and US\$ 214.17 million under Global Fund for AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Rounds IV and VI are available till March 2012 for treatment.