

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1453
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FUNDS FOR NATIONAL TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his Ministry has requested the Ministry of Finance to transfer additional funds collected through taxes on tobacco products to boost the National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) as reported in 'The Times of India' dated 17 September, 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Ministry of Finance thereto;
- (c) the amount of funds likely to be received; and
- (d) the other steps taken to mobilize the funds in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) to (d) The matter is under consideration.