GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:251
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COLD CHAIN SYSTEM IN TRANSPORTATION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that due to erratic power supply and inadequate maintenance of staff in different States, vaccines are losing their potency while transporting from the point of manufacture to the point of actual use in States;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to make the cold -chain system in transportation full-proof; and
- (c) the details of state where break-down rate of cold-chain is increasing?

Answer

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

- (a) No Sir, no such instances of vaccine losing potency due to erratic power supply and inadequate maintenance of staff has been reported by any state.
- (b) In view of above, question does not arise.
- (c) No state has reported the increase in break-down rate of cold-chain.