

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:297  
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SHORTAGE OF VACCINES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the country is facing acute shortage of vaccines;
- (b) if so, whether any death has been reported due to non-availability of vaccines during the last three years and current year, State-wise and year-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure adequate availability of vaccines; and
- (d) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred by the Government during the last three years for the procurement of vaccines?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

- (a): No. There is no shortage of vaccines for Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) in the Country.
- (b): Not applicable in view of the reply to part (a) above.
- (c): The UIP vaccines are being procured as per the requirement projected by the States/Union Territories (UTs).
- (d): The details are at Annexure .