

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open blood banks at sub-division and block levels in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the budgetary allocation of funds made for the purpose;
- (c) whether any proposals have also been received from the State Governments seeking financial assistance for the modernisation of blood banks in the hospitals;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT wise; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRVEDI)

(a) & (b) No.

(c) to (e) National AIDS Control Organisation is implementing a scheme for "Modernisation of Blood Banks", whereby one time equipment and annual recurring grant is provided to all blood banks in the public and voluntary/charitable sector hospitals. No such proposal is pending with National AIDS Control Organisation as on date. As and when any proposal is received the same is being taken up for support, if the proposal relates to blood banks in the public/voluntary/charitable sector.