

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

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CERVICAL CANCER

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

- (a) whether cases of cervical cancer are on the rise in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to contain the spread of the disease;
- (d) whether the Government has launched vaccines for the prevention of cervical cancer and proposes to make them available in the health centres across the country free of cost; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) No.

(c): This Ministry is implementing various schemes under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) and releasing the grant-in-aid to the Medical Colleges/Hospitals for creating awareness and upgrading the Medical infrastructure for providing cost effective treatment to the poor and needy patients. In addition 27 Regional Cancer Centres have been recognized in various States/UTs for carrying out research activity and providing treatment to the cancer patients.

(d) & (e): At present there is no proposal to launch vaccines for prevention of cervical cancer.