GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2591 ANSWERED ON:12.03.2010 CASES OF DIABETES Aaron Rashid Shri J.M.;Basheer Shri E. T. Muhammed;Dubey Shri Nishikant ;Gandhi Smt. Maneka Sanjay;Gutha Shri Sukender Reddy;Karunakaran Shri P.;Tandon Shri Lal Ji

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

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study/survey regarding prevalence of diabetes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the corrective measures taken and assistance provided to the State Governments to check the disease in the country and the achievements made as a result thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government proposes to launch an awareness campaign to educate the people particularly in the rural areas about the hazards of diabetes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) No recent study has been undertaken by Government of India to find out the number of diabetics' in the country.

(c) The Planning Commission has earmarked Rs.1660.50 crore in the 11th Five Year Plan for the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Diabetes, Cardio-Vascular Diseases and Stroke (NPDCS and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has formulated the National Programme (NPDCS), which has been considered by the Expenditure Finance Committee. NPDCS has been initiated in 10 districts in 10 states on pilot basis.

(d) & (e) One of the major objectives of NPDCS is prevention and control of Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) including Diabetes through behaviour and lifestyle changes using mass media, interpersonal communication and community based activities.