

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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JAPANESE ENCEPHALITIS VACCINE

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

- (a) the total import of Japanese Encephalitis (JE) vaccine from China and other countries during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the steps taken for their proper storage and refrigeration alongwith to check their quality and efficacy;
- (c) whether a large quantity of JE vaccine is lying unattended in various parts of Uttar Pradesh as the State Government has refused to administer the vaccine;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): The SA-14-14-2 vaccine against JE is imported only from China and the total quantity of JE vaccine imported during each of the last three years and current year are as follows:

2007-08: 213.3 Lakh doses

2008-09:260.00 Lakh doses

2009-10:337.08 Lakh doses

2010-11:240.12 Lakh doses (Requisitioned)

(b): Under the Immunization programme, all the vaccines including JE are stored and transported under cold chain up to the point of service delivery. Since 2008, the vials are also affixed with Vaccine Vial Monitor which helps in monitoring the cold chain. Each lot of JE vaccine is tested in the country at Central Drugs Laboratory (CDL), Kasauli before use in the programme.

(c) to (e): As per the information received from Government of Uttar Pradesh there is no quantity of usable vaccine lying unattended in Uttar Pradesh.