GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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AVAILABILITY OF HEPATITIS B VACCINES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide Hepatitis B vaccines in all the Government hospitals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has worked out any concrete action plan for the prevention of this contagious disease; and
- (d) the time by which these vaccines will be made available in the Government hospitals?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The Government of India is already providing Hepatitis-B vaccine to infants in the Government hospitals and other public health facilities in selected States and cities/districts. The details are annexed.

The proposal to expand the programme of Hepatitis B vaccination of infants in the rest of the country for prevention of this disease is under consideration.