

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

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CASES OF CANCER AND OTHER DISEASES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of patients suffering from cancer and some other diseases have risen above the national average in some regions of the country including Malwa in Punjab;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any study has been conducted to find out the reasons therefor;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken/proposed by the Government to provide better health services in these areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN)

(a) & (b): No data specific to Malwa region of Punjab is available. However as per an ICMR Report, "Time trends in Cancer incidence Rates 1982-2005, National Registry Programme (ICMR) April 2009", there has been a steady and consistent increase in the age adjusted incidence rates of certain cancers across all major urban registries.

(c) & (d): No.

(e): An integrated National Programme for Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) with an a outlay of Rs. 731.52 crore for Cancer and Rs. 499. 38 crore for Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke has been approved for the remaining two years of the XIth Five Year Plan (2010-11 and 2011-12) in 15 States and 100 districts of the country. The programme envisages health promotion, early diagnosis, management and prevention of non -communicable diseases strengthening of infrastructure, including human resources and integration with the primary health care system.