## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4466 ANSWERED ON:20.08.2010 SWINE FLU VACCINE Lingam Shri P.

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

- (a) whether the cases of refusal of Swine flu vaccine has been reported in the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) &(b) The Government of Maharashtra has informed that the reponse to Pandemic H1N1 vaccination from doctors and paramedical workers is not satisfactory. A voluntary aproach was used to vaccinate health care workers.
- (c) Government of India has written to Government of Maharashtra emphasizing the urgency and has advised the State to make it mandatory as to ensure that health care workers are vaccinated. Government of Maharashtra has advised all health institutions for promoting vaccination of doctors and staff in health care facilities and screening centers.