

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

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

(a) whether the vaccines for Hepatitis-B are not made available by the Union Government in the hospitals in some of the States/Union Territories including Bihar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes. The Hepatitis – B vaccine are not made available by the Union Government in the hospitals in some of the States/ Union Territories including Bihar.

The decision was to include Hepatits B vaccine in those selected States, where evaluated coverage for DPT-3 was more than 80%.

Accordingly, based on the latest available survey data at that time (DLHS-II), the states were selected. The list of the States/UTs/Cities where Hepatitis B vaccination is under implementation is annexed.