

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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MACHINERY TO DEAL WITH OUTBREAK OF DISEASES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has set up any mechanism/machinery to deal with the sudden outbreak of diseases or diseases caused by natural calamities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the financial provisions made for the purpose; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India has Integrated Disease Surveillance Project being implemented in all districts. Under this project trained rapid response teams are available at district level to investigate the outbreak and take necessary public health measures. If the outbreak requires an intervention at State/National level then the State/National Rapid Response Teams are deputed to investigate the outbreak and recommend public health measures. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare also provides the States with guidance and logistic support, wherever required.

For managing epidemics / outbreak of diseases associated with natural calamities, norms under Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) provide for funds. These funds are released on recommendations of State Level Committee (for assistance to be provided under CRF) and as per the assessment of the Central Team (for assistance to be provided under NCCF), on case to case basis.