

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5124
ANSWERED ON:27.08.2010
FEVER CASES IN KERALA
Antony Shri Anto;Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

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

- (a) whether the Government has noticed sharp and continuous increase in the number of fever cases in the State of Kerala,;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of death cases and affected persons;
- (c) whether the Government has sent a Central Team to Kerala in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of report submitted by such team;
- (e) whether the Government has given or proposes to give financial/medical assistance to the State; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : As per the reports received through Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP), there was an increase in the number of fever cases in the State of Kerala from May 2010 till week ending 11th July 2010. Thereafter, fever cases are showing a declining trend. The fever cases are mostly due to Malaria, Dengue, Chikungunya and Influenza A H1N1. Number of reported cases and deaths due to Malaria, Dengue, Chikungunya and Influenza A H1N1 during the year 2010 are as under:

Disease	Cases	Deaths
---------	-------	--------

Malaria (till June 2010)	802	2
--------------------------	-----	---

Dengue (till 24.8.2010)	2077	9
-------------------------	------	---

Chikungunya (till 23.8.2010)	1140	0
------------------------------	------	---

Influenza A H1N1 (from 1.5.2010 to 23.8.2010)	1407	81
---	------	----

(c) & (d): Teams of experts were deputed by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to the State of Kerala. The teams comprised of experts from different fields/ hospitals had visited various parts of Kerala. The teams submitted their detailed report regarding the possible causes of fever and made several recommendations which were conveyed to the State Government. The recommendations include house-to-house survey for early detection of fever cases, making the drugs available at the Primary Health Centres, training of doctors on case detection and treatment, strengthening of disease surveillance system and increase in information, education and communication activity.

(e) & (f): Directorate of National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme has released Rs.121.94 lakhs to the State of Kerala for prevention and control of vector borne diseases during the year 2010-11, in addition to Rs. 235.04 lakhs unspent balance already available with the State Government.

Under Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP) an amount of Rs. 73.79 lakhs has been released to State of Kerala during the year 2010-11. In addition, 3500 H1N1 testing kits, 1000 Viral Transport Medium (VTM) with swabs, 1045000 Oseltamivir capsules of

different strengths, 45000 Oseltamivir suspensions, 10000 N-95 Masks, 400000 three layered masks, 50000 Personal Protective Equipments (PPE) kits and 34000 doses of H1N1 vaccine were also provided to the State Government of Kerala.