GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:889 ANSWERED ON:12.11.2010 ILLEGAL TRADE OF HUMAN ORGANS Dhotre Shri Sanjay Shamrao;Viswanathan Shri P.

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

(a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding illegal trade of human organs such as kidney, eyes, etc. during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, year-wise;

(c) the action taken by the Government on these complaints as on date; and

(d) the preventive measures taken by the Government to stop such illegal human trade?

Answer

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

(a): Some incidents of alleged illegal transplant of kidneys have come to the notice of Government of India.

(b) & (c): Health is a State subject. The data, is therefore, not maintained centrally. However, a statement showing the details as received from the State Governments is annexed.

(d): To make the penal provisions under the Act more stringent and to deter illegal transplantation activities, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has already introduced the Transplantation of Human Organ (Amendment) Bill, 2009 in the Lok Sabha on 18-12-2009.