GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1795 ANSWERED ON:19.11.2010 DEATH DUE TO RABIES Namdhari Shri Inder Singh;Sampath Shri Anirudhan

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

- (a) the number of deaths reported by caused by rabies during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to introduce cost-effective Intradermal Rabies vaccination to prevent human rabies deaths;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government to educate the people for the prevention and control of rabies?

Answer

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

- (a): State/UT wise reported number of deaths due to rabies during last three years and the current year is given in Annexure.
- (b) & (c): To prevent deaths due to human rabies, cost-effective intra-dermal anti rabies vaccination has been introduced in thirteen States / UTs.(d) A Pilot Project on prevention and control of human rabies is being implemented under Xlth Five year Plan in five cities across the country. One of the major components in the Pilot Project is to create awareness in the community. Prototype IEC material has been developed and is being used for education of people.