

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

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

- (a) whether the Government is exhorting young people to turn voluntary blood donors, thereby ensuring the safety and sufficiency of the nation's blood supply;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds released and spent in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) the response received so far from each State?

Answer

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

a) & (b) Yes, Awareness programmes for motivating young people for voluntary blood donation are being carried out across the country for voluntary blood donations.

Voluntary Blood Donation camps are organized in the districts with more emphasis on Colleges, Red Ribbon Clubs and Youth Clubs in association with NYKS, NCC, NSS and State Blood Transfusion Councils.

(c) State wise funds released during last three years and the current year including Andhra Pradesh is placed at Annexure 'A'.

(d) The statewise annual voluntary blood donation during last three years and the current year is placed at Annexure 'B'.