GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2800 ANSWERED ON:26.11.2010 NICD REPORT ON DENGUE Pratap Narayanrao Shri Sonawane

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

(a) whether cases of infection of dengue virus type 1 has been reported in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last one year and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the National Institute of Communicable Diseases (NICD) has done any study in this regard;

(d) if so, the details alongwith the outcome thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/proposed by the Government to check such cases?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI)

(a) & (b) Cases of dengue are not reported virus-type-wise.

(c) & (d) Typing of dengue virus involves highly specialized tests. It is required to be done only on a representative number of samples to find out the prevalent type. During this year, NICD tested 37 samples to ascertain type of dengue virus and all samples were found to be of dengue virus type-1.

(e) For prevention and control of vector-borne diseases including dengue, Government of India is implementing an integrated National Vector Borne Disease Control Programame (NVBDCP) under the overarching umbrella of National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). The strategy for prevention and control of vector-borne diseases mainly includes integrated vector control, early case detection and appropriate treatment and behavior change communication. Government of India provides technical support as well as supplements the efforts of States/UTs by providing funds and commodities. However, the programme is primarily being implemented through the State/UT Governments