GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2864 ANSWERED ON:26.11.2010 LABORATORIES FOR INFLUENZA A H N Devappa Anna Shri Shetti Raju Alias;Patel Shri Bal Kumar

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

(a) whether the number of laboratories testing Pandemic Influenza A H1N1 is adequate to cope up with the demand of sample testing in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of such laboratories, State/UTwise;

(c) whether there is lack of sufficient infrastructure and manpower in these laboratories including National institute of Virology, Pune, resulting in delay in giving reports;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/proposed by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes. The list of laboratories testing Pandemic Influenza A H1N1 attached to various States/UT Administrations is annexed.

(c) No.

(d) & (e) Does not arise.