

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has included Rubella and Pentavalent vaccines in the Universal Immunisation Programme in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): No. Government of India has not included Rubella and Pentavalent vaccine in the Universal Immunization Programme of the country. However, there is a proposal for introduction of Pentavalent vaccine in the States of Tamil Nadu and Kerala on pilot basis.