

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:80  
ANSWERED ON:25.02.2011  
DRUG TESTING LABORATORIES  
Chavan Shri Harischandra Deoram

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

- (a) the number of drug testing laboratories in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the existing laboratories are well equipped to control the menace of spurious and substandard drugs in the country;
- (c) if so, the number of drug samples collected and checked by them during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether there is shortage of drug testing personnel and a number of drug samples collected are lying untested in the drug testing laboratories in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the corrective measures taken/proposed in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 80 FOR 25TH FEBRUARY, 2011

(a): A Statement containing the list of Central and State Drugs Testing Laboratories is at Annexure-I.

(b) to (e): The Central drugs testing laboratories are well equipped. These laboratories are, however, continuously being upgraded to ensure availability of equipments latest state-of-the-art techniques. Their manpower position is also continuously reviewed and additional manpower is provided as and when required. A Statement containing the details of samples tested by these laboratories during the last three years in Laboratories is at Annexue-II.