GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1417 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2011 VACCINATION OF NEW BORN CHILDREN Viswanathan Shri P.

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

- (a) the details of vaccines which are injected free to all new born children in the country under the National Immunisation Programme (NIP);
- (b) whether Hepatitis B is more lethal than HIV;
- (c) if so, the names of States in the country in which the Hib is injected free to new born children;
- (d) whether the Union Government has any proposal to extend the programme under NIP countrywide;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a): Under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP), the following vaccines are provided free to all children including new borne:-
- 1) DPT (Diphtheria-Pertusis-Tetanus)
- 2) OPV/Oral Polio Vaccine
- 3) Measles
- 4) BCG (Bacillus Calmette-Guerin)
- 5) Hepatitis B (In selected States and selected cities)
- 6) J.E. (In selected areas)
- (b): Hepatitis B is more infectious than HIV.
- (c): At present, Goa is the only State where Hib vaccine is administered to children in 5 backward and remote taluks from their State funds. Haemophilus influenza (Hib) vaccine is not administered to new born children under Universal Immunization Programme (UIP).
- (d) to (f): No. There is no proposal for inclusion of Hib vaccine in the entire country under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP).