

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether half of the children below the age of three in the country do not get the vital immunization vaccination;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the average percentage of child vaccination under the National Vaccination Campaign, State-wise; and
- (d) the funds released for various schemes during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

- (a): As per the latest DLHS-3 survey in 2007-08 full immunization coverage of children (12-23 months) in the country is 54.1%. Also as per the same survey, 11.3% children (12-23 months) were found to have "No Immunization".
- (b): The reasons for this are:
 - 1. High dropout rates, i.e. beneficiaries do not complete the doses as per schedule
 - 2. Left -out population because of poor access to health care facilities
- (c): The Universal Immunization Programme is delivered usually as part of routine services and not as campaigns. The state-wise coverage as per the DLHS-3 survey is indicated at columns A10, A11 and A12 of Annexure I.
- (d): The details are at Annexure-II.