

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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BLOOD SAFETY PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Blood Safety Programme under the National AIDS Control Programme has been successful in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of model blood banks currently functional in the country;
- (d) whether the Government has fixed any time frame for the setting up of blood bank in every district; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDHYOPADHYAY)

- (a) & (b): Yes. The Blood Safety Programme under the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) has been successful in the country. During National AIDS Control Programme, the sero-reactivity for HIV has decreased from 15.38% to 0.2% since 1992.
- (c) There are 28 Model Blood Banks currently functional in the Country.
- (d) & (e) It was proposed to establish blood banks in 39 Districts where there were no blood banks available during NACP III (2007-2012) (Annexure "A"). 18 blood banks in the districts have been made functional (Annexure "B"). As the infrastructure and manpower is not available in other districts blood banks have not been established.