

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

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HIV-TB CO-INFECTION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the India accounts for the largest number of cases of HIV-TB co-infection in the world;
- (b) if so, the details of such co-infections reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note on the achievements made under the Trichur model which focuses on integrating HIV/AIDS treatment with the mainstream health care system;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed by the Government to follow this model in other parts of the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIS. GANDHISELVAN)

- (a) & (b): No. India is not having the largest number of cases of HIV-TB co-infection in the world. As per Global TB Control Report 2010, South Africa accounts for the largest number of cases of HIV-TB co-infection in the world. A statement indicating number of cases of HIV-TB co-infection during the last three years and the current year State/UT-wise is annexed.
- (c) to (e): Yes. Government is aware of Trichur model, which focuses on integrating HIV/AIDS treatment with the mainstream of health care system. The existing system of provisioning of treatment for HIV-TB co-infection follows the same approach as being shown in the Trichur model, whereby the hospitals having the Anti-retroviral Treatment Centre constitutes a multi-disciplinary team to ensure that the services of Voluntary Counselling and Testing, Post-exposure Prophylaxis, integrated medical care and involvement of entire health system is ensured.