

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM

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

(a) whether the Government has set up any mechanism to maintain the public health system in relation to the environmental conditions such as rainfall, temperature, humidity and life style of the people in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the corrective measures taken/proposed in this regard in order to strengthen public health system?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a) to (d) Environmental conditions such as rainfall, temperature, humidity and life style are important factor influencing health and contribute to the occurrence of vector, water and food borne diseases.

Government of India is implementing Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP), a decentralized disease surveillance project to detect and respond to early warning signals of impending disease outbreaks. Rapid Response Teams at state and district level have been identified and trained to investigate, and respond to and contain outbreaks.