

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

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BRITISH REPORT ON TUBERCULOSIS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of a recent report published in a British medical journal which states that immigrants from India are the carriers of Tuberculosis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the facts in this regard; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed by the Government to contest such reports?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) A study entitled "Screening of Immigrants in the United Kingdom for Imported Latent Tuberculosis: Multi-centric Cohort Study and Cost-effectiveness analyses" has been published in the Lancet Infectious Diseases, Volume 11, Issue 6, June 2011.

The study deals with latent TB infection in Immigrants and not with the carriers of TB.