

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the purity and presence of nutrients and vitamins in organic food;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed by the Government to encourage use of organic foods in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): No such studies have been conducted on this issue in the Department of Health Research or the Indian Council of Medical Research.

(c) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research, under the Ministry of Agricultural & Co-operation has initiated a Network Project on Organic Farming with lead centre at Project Directorate for Farming Systems Research, Modipuram.