

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:145

ANSWERED ON:23.03.2012

JAPANESE ENCEPHALITIS

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

- (a) whether the Government has proposed/finalized a package to the tune of Rs.2,000 crore for the Japanese Encephalitis (JE) affected districts in five States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the funds provided to the States so far, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the present status of the vaccination programme to curb the incidences of JE in the country alongwith the achievements made as a result thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to extend the said vaccination programme to other parts of the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 145 FOR 23RD MARCH, 2012

(a)&(b) Government of India (GOI) constituted a Group of Ministers (GoM) in November, 2011 to evolve a multi-pronged strategy to address multiple issues relating to Japanese Encephalitis/Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (JE/AES). GoM held 4 meetings and finalized its recommendations pertaining to public health interventions, expansion of JE vaccination, improved case management, medical and social rehabilitation, improved provisions of drinking water and sanitation in rural and urban areas and improved nutrition. The GoM recommendations have been submitted to the Cabinet Secretariat.

(c) JE vaccination in campaign mode started in 2006 in a phased manner. 112 JE endemic districts in 15 States have been covered till December, 2011. JE vaccination in these districts initially covered all children in the age group of 1-15 years in campaign mode and thereafter all new cohorts were covered through routine JE vaccination 6 months after the campaign. Routine JE vaccination is administered to children in age-group of 16-24 months. During the campaign in 112 districts, against a target of 869.95 lakh children, 702.56 lakh (80.76%) children were vaccinated.

(d)& (e) The Government has decided to cover 62 new districts in a phased manner under JE vaccination. State/UT-wise details of the districts are annexed.