

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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CHILD MORTALITY RATE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the child mortality rate has been increasing in the country due to vaccination since 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise; and
- (c) the number of children died due to vaccination in the year 2011, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

- (a): The under 5 Child mortality rate in India has decreased from 69 per 1000 live births in 2008 to 64 per 1000 live births in 2009 as per the latest report of Sample Registration Survey data (SRS data).
- (b): In view of above, question does not arise.
- (c): Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) is a mechanism to track all kinds of adverse events that may occur following vaccination, whether related or unrelated. 129 AEFI deaths were reported in the year 2011 out of which 9 were found to be related to vaccination and rest were found to be coincidental/unknown. State/UTs wise details are annexed.