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CASES OF INFLUENZA A H N H N AND CONGO FEVER

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

- (a) whether cases of pandemic Influenza A H1N1, Influenza A H5N1 and Crimean- Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) have been reported from various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the number of persons out of those cured or died, State/ UT-wise and gender-wise;
- (c) the financial and technical assistance provided to the State Governments to check such cases during the said period, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has taken/ proposed new initiatives with the coordinated help from other countries to promote awareness and contain the spread of these diseases in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a): Human cases of Pandemic influenza were reported during 2009-2012. Crimean Congo Fever was reported for the the first time in 2011. No human case of Avian Influenza (H5N1) has been reported in India.

(b) Details are at Annexed.

(c)to(e): For mitigation of the Pandemic, entry screening of passengers were carried out at 22 international airports. Surveillance to detect clusters of influenza like illness is being done through Integrated Disease Surveillance Project. Laboratory network has been strengthened. There are forty five laboratories (24 in Govt. Sector and 19 in Private Sector) capable of testing the clinical samples. Government of India procured 40 million capsules which were given to states/ Union Territory Administration as per requirement. Capacity to develop H1N1 Vaccine indigenously was supported. 1.5 million doses of vaccine were imported and health care workers in States/ Union Territory Administrations vaccinated. Funds were allocated for training of district level teams. Indian Medical Association were provided funds to train private practitioners. A task force in the Information & Broadcasting Ministry implemented the media plan creating awareness among public.

India Collaborated with World Health Organization in mitigating the Pandemic.

For Avian influenza, Central Teams monitored the containment operations and kept surveillance on human population.

For Crimean Congo Hemorrhagic Fever, the State of Gujarat was supported in terms of outbreak investigation, laboratory confirmation at National Institute of Virology, Pune, advice on treatment protocol etc.