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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether there is a steady decrease in immunization rate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to designate 2012-13 as the year of Intensification of Routine Immunisation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) As per district level household survey report, the full immunization coverage of children in the age 12 – 23 months has increased from 45.9 percent in 2002-04 to 53.5 percent in 2007-08.

(c) & (d) Government of India has declared year 2012- 13 as year of Intensification of Routine Immunization. The details are as under:-

1. Carrying out immunization weeks in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Orissa, Chattisgarh, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Assam, Tripura, Meghalaya, Sikkim.
2. Strengthening routine immunization in identified 239 districts having less than 50% full immunization coverage as per District level household survey 3. District specific immunization action plan will be developed.
3. Rapid Response Team in each state to identify high risk blocks including peri-urban areas where immunization coverage is low and to use this database for strengthening routine immunization in such pockets on a priority basis
4. Intensified Communication and increasing community participation.
5. Modernizing alternate vaccine delivery system.
6. Strengthening follow up of children through mother and child tracking system.