

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

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

- (a) whether the Government spends crores of rupees to fight minor infections like fever etc. every year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any special health programme in this regard particularly in backward and tribal States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the remedial measures proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ABU HASEM KHAN CHOUDHURY)

(a) to (b) Under National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme, fever cases are screened for malaria. The support to States/UTs, particularly for the backward and tribal areas, is provided for fever surveillance, diagnosis and treatment of malaria and other vector borne diseases.

The total expenditure incurred by the National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme towards support to the States/UTs during last three years is as below:

Rs. in crores

Year Total supports to States
/UTs (Cash + Kind)

2009-10 311.16

2010-11 380.51

2011-12 482.51

(c) to (e) Government of India launched National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) in 2005 to support the State Governments/ Union Territories to rejuvenate and strengthen the public health care system to provide accessible, affordable, accountable, effective and reliable primary health care facilities including for minor infections like fever etc. in rural areas especially to the poor and vulnerable sections of the population including backward and tribal areas.