

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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CASES OF HEART DISEASES

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

- (a) whether studies have been conducted by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) or any other agency/organisation on the rise of heart diseases in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and the findings thereof;
- (c) the number of people suffering from heart diseases in the rural and urban areas of the country separately, State/UT-wise and those who die and are rendered physically incapacitated due to heart strokes during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the funds allocated to the States and spent by them during the above period to reduce the risks of heart diseases, State/UT-wise;and
- (e) the further steps proposed to be taken by the Government to control heart diseases in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN)

(a) to (c) Yes. Indian Council of Medical Research had conducted prevalence studies on coronary heart diseases at Delhi and Vellore during 1990. The age adjusted prevalence rates in urban parts of Delhi and Vellore ranged from 6.5 to 9%, whereas it was 3 to 5% in rural areas. Multiple epidemiological studies performed in India shows increasing trend in urban and as well as rural population. As per the study on 'Assessment of Burden of Non-Communicable Disease' carried out by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), the number of Ischemic Heart Disease (IHD) was estimated to have increased from 18.6 million in 1998 to 22.37 millions in 2004 whereas the number of deaths are projected to have increased from 2.56 lakh to 5.54 lakh. The study did not make a state wise assessment.

(d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(e) The Government has launched pilot phase of National Programme for Prevention and Control of Diabetes, Cardio Vascular Diseases and Strokes (NPDCS) on 4th January 2008.