

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:10

ANSWERED ON:22.02.2013

CASES OF INFLUENZA A H N

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

- (a) whether new cases of influenza A H1N1 (Swine Flu) have been reported in various parts of the country including Delhi and the National Capital Region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the number of such cases reported and those treated and died in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has drawn any action plan to ensure proper diagnosis, detection and treatment of patients suffering from the said influenza and sufficient availability of related drugs and vaccines across the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the financial and technical assistance provided to the State Governments for the purpose, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the other measures being taken by the Government to check the recurrence of the cases of influenza A H1N1 in the country?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.10 FOR 22ND FEBRUARY, 2013

(a) &(b) Yes Madam. New cases of Influenza A H1N1 have been reported from the States of Rajasthan, Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh. Details provided by the States/UTs of laboratory confirmed cases and deaths for the current year are at Annexure I. As on date, Influenza A H1N1 virus is circulating as seasonal influenza virus causing seasonal outbreaks.

(c)to( e) Health is a State subject. However, Ministry of Health & FW has provided guidelines on screening & categorization of patients, laboratory diagnosis, infection control, home care and clinical management. These guidelines are also available on the website of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. The drug Oseltamivir available with the Central Government has been supplied, as per requisition, to the States. This drug can also be procured by the States locally. State/UT-wise details of drugs supplied for the period 2012-2013 are at Annexure II. States that sought H1N1 vaccine in 2012 were provided the same. Details are at Annexure-III.

Technical support is provided for surveillance through Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme. To facilitate laboratory diagnosis through a network of 26 laboratories in Government Sector, in addition to the earlier support given for strengthening these laboratories, support for diagnostic reagents for diagnosis of Influenza A H1N1 is being given.

The details are at Annexure IV. Personal Protective Equipment, surgical masks and N-95 masks are also provided. Funds to the tune of Rs.2.4 crores received from WHO were utilized earlier for training rapid response teams and clinicians up to district level. State/UT-wise details are at Annexure V.

The situation is being regularly monitored by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.