

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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HIV AIDS CONTROL

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

- (a) the major activities undertaken to control HIV/AIDS, the funds allocated and spent for the purpose and achievements made as a result thereof in the country during the 11th Five Year Plan period;
- (b) the funds allocated to the Non- Governmental Organisations (NGOs) indicating their utilisation during the said plan period;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any study/survey to ascertain the impact of NGOs working for control of HIV/AIDS throughout the country;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed by the Government to scale up financial allocation for HIV/AIDS control and spread awareness, particularly among school/ college going students during the 12th Five Year Plan?

**Answer**

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

(a): Department of AIDS Control is implementing National AIDS Control Programme-IV as a 100% centrally sponsored scheme/programme in all States/UTs.

The major activities under taken to control HIV/AIDS are Prevention, Care, Support and Treatment (CST), Capacity Building and Monitoring and Evaluation.

State wise details of funds allocated and expenditure reported thereon during the 11th Five Year Plan (2007-08 to 2011-12) are given in Annexure-I.

(b): Funds under National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) are mainly provided to State AIDS Control Societies (SACs) who in turn releases funds to Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and Peripheral Units. At central level, funds are released to a few NGOs. Details of funds allocated to the Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and utilization thereof during the 11th Five Year Plan (2007-08 to 2011-12) are given in Annexure-II. At State Level funds provided and utilized by State AIDS Control Societies under National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) during the said plan period are given in Annexure-III

(c) & (d): Yes, an independent Impact Assessment Study, funded by the World Bank was undertaken by a consortium of three public health institutions in India. The study highlighted that the HIV epidemic had remained contained and was declining in the country, possibly due to the increase in condom use in sex work as a result of Targeted Interventions implemented through NGOs & Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and Information, Education and Communication (IEC). Declines in the Sexual Transmitted Infection (STI) as well as HIV levels were greater in the districts where intensity of Targeted Interventions were higher. The study concluded that Targeted Intervention strategy is associated with HIV decline in India. The outcome is as follows:

# In 2003 the HIV prevalence among Injected Drug Users(IDU) was 13.3% which reduced to 7.14% in 2010

# In 2003 the HIV prevalence among Male sex Male (MSM) was 12.1% which reduced to 4.43% in 2010

# In 2003 the HIV prevalence among Female Sex Worker (FSW) was 10.3% which reduced to 2.60% in 2010

The steps taken are as under:

(1) The Adolescent Education Programme (AEP) runs in secondary and senior secondary school to build up life skills of adolescents to cope with the physical and psychological changes associated with growing up. AEP is implemented by the Department of Education in collaboration with the State AIDS Control Societies(SACs)

(2) Red Ribbon Clubs (RRCs) are formed in colleges to encourage peer to peer messaging on HIV prevention and to provide a safe space for young people to seek clarification to their doubts and on myths surrounding HIV/AIDS.

(3) All the State AIDS Control Societies (SACSs) are being asked to effectively implement and strengthen awareness programmes for youth, including the AEP for school going children and RRCs for the college youth. Accordingly allocations are made for these programmes in the Annual Action Plan of State AIDS Control Societies.