## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:33 ANSWERED ON:22.02.2013 CASES OF DIABETES Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai Patalbhai

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

- (a) the estimated number of people suffering from diabetes in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study/survey to ascertain the factors responsible for increase number of in the diabetic patients across the country;
- (c) if so, the details along with the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has proposed certain new measures and research to control the menace of diabetes in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) The International Diabetes Federation estimates that 61.3 million persons aged 20 years and above in India had diabetes in 2011. State/UT wise data on number of persons suffering from diabetes are not available.
- (b) & (c) According to World Health Organisation (WHO), the factors responsible for increase in Non-communicable Diseases including diabetes are unhealthy diet, lack of physical activity, harmful use of alcohol, over-weight, obesity, tobacco use etc.
- (d) & (e) Government of India launched National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) during 11th Five Year Plan in 100 Districts in 21 States with the aim to prevent and control the Non-Communicable Diseases including Diabetes through awareness generation, behaviour and life-style changes, early diagnosis of persons with high levels of risk factors. The programme also provides opportunistic screening of persons above the age of 30 years for diabetes & hypertension in various health care facilities viz. District Hospitals, Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Sub-Centres and their referral to higher facilities for appropriate management of these diseases.