

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:201

ANSWERED ON:23.08.2013

VECTOR BORNE DISEASES

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

- (a) whether a number of cases of vector-borne diseases i.e. dengue, malaria, chikungunya and kala-azar have recently been reported across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the number of such cases and deaths reported during the current year, disease and State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the measures taken/proposed and medical, financial and technical assistance provided and utilized to deal with vector-borne diseases during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether a number of health projects are being implemented through foreign assistance in areas prone to certain vector-borne diseases in various States/UTs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the medical, financial and technical assistance received and utilised so far for implementation of the aforesaid projects?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.201 FOR 23RD AUGUST, 2013

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The incidence and transmission of Vector Borne Diseases is due to numerous ecological, biological and other factors including rapid and unplanned urbanization, water storage practices, sanitation, vegetation, intermittent and protracted rains etc. The reported number of cases and deaths due to dengue, malaria, chikungunya and kala-azar during the current year from 1st January 2013 to 31st July 2013 is at Annexure-I.

(c) Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments for prevention and control of vector-borne diseases by providing technical and financial assistance. Additionally, certain commodities like DDT, Synthetic Pyrethroid, Long Lasting Insecticidal Nets (LLINs), Rapid Diagnostic Kits for malaria etc. are supplied by Central Government to endemic States. Details of the financial assistance by way of grants-in-aid and commodities provided to the States/UTs are at Annexure-II.

(d) & (e) Yes, Madam. Two externally funded projects are implemented for malaria and kala-azar control and elimination: -

i. World Bank Assisted National Vector Borne Disease Control Support Project for malaria control in 124 high malaria endemic districts of 9 States and Kala-azar elimination programme in 46 districts of 3 States. The Financial support for this project for 5 years from 2009 to 2013 is US \$ 180 million.

ii. Global Fund Supported Intensified Malaria Control Project-II for malaria control in all 86 districts of 7 North Eastern States i.e. Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura from 2010 to 2015 with financial support of US\$ 87.78 million.