

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

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IRON FOLIC ACID SUPPLEMENT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has launched Weekly Iron and Folic Acid Supplementation (WIFS) programme in some States/UTs for the benefit of school going adolescent boys and girls in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise;
- (c) whether it is proposed to extend the programme to all the States/UTs in the country in the near future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes, WIFS programme has so far been launched in 28 states/UTs for the benefit of adolescent boys and girls.
- (b): Details are at Annexure -1.
- (c): Yes. Programme will be extended to all 35 states/UTs in the near future.
- (d): Details are at Annexure -2.