

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

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CASES OF INFLUENZA - A H1N1

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

- (a) whether new cases and deaths due to influenza-A H1N1 (Swine Flu) have recently been reported in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the current year in comparison to each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the steps taken/proposed by the Government for proper control, diagnosis, detection and treatment of Influenza-A H1N1 and the details of financial and technical assistance provided to the States/ UTs for the purpose during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the drugs/vaccines imported for the control and treatment of Influenza- A H1N1, indicating its value during the said period; and
- (e) the status of production of indigenous drugs/vaccines for the control and treatment of Influenza-A H1N1 during the said period?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes. New cases of Influenza A H1N1 have been reported recently from the States of Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh. As on date, Influenza A H1N1 virus is circulating as seasonal influenza virus causing seasonal outbreaks.

(b): Details provided by the States/UTs of laboratory confirmed cases and deaths for the current year are at Annexure I and for the last three years are at Annexure II.

(c): 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. Technical support is provided for surveillance through Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme.

The assistance provided to the State/UT Governments are as under:

# Technical assistance was provided to a network of 26 laboratories in Government Sector. These labs were strengthened for diagnosis of Influenza A H1N1 and provided diagnostic reagents.

# Information, education, communication material prepared, translated in 22 languages and given to all the States. Further, a media campaign was undertaken by Central Government for creating public awareness.

# Guidelines on categorization of patients, laboratory testing and clinical management were provided to the States/UTs.

# In addition, the following commodity support was also provided:

# Oseltamivir, the drug to treat influenza A H1N1, supplied to the States as per their requirements.

# 1.5 million doses of Pandemic H1N1 vaccine procured and provided for vaccinating health care workers in States/UTs.

# Personal Protective Equipment, surgical masks and N-95 masks given to the States/UTs as per their requirements from central stockpile.

(d) :

Item	Quantity	Cost
Vaccine Pandemic	15 Lakhs	Rs. 75,00,000
Vaccine	(Rs. 45,95,25,000/- at	
doses	the rate Rs. 61.27 per	Rs. 75,00,000)

Government of India has procured 1.5 million doses of inactivated non-adjuvanted pandemic influenza vaccine from M/s Sanofi Pasteur, France at a cost of 5 euro per dose (total cost - 7.5 million euros).

(e): Indigenous capacity is available to manufacture Influenza A H1N1 Vaccine/drugs in the country.