

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:441

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SETTING UP OF BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY AND MOBILE DRUG TEST VANS

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

- (a) whether the Karnataka drugs control department has asked the Government for funding assistance under Centrally sponsored scheme to the tune of Rs. 149 crore for setting up of biological laboratory and mobile drug test vans;
- (b) if so, whether similar requests have been received from other States;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the State/ UT-wise; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): Yes. Government of India has received a proposal from the Karnataka Drugs Control Department for funding assistance under centrally sponsored scheme to the tune of Rs. 149.20 Crore for strengthening of State Drug Control Organization including the setting up of biological laboratory and mobile drug test vans.

(b)to(d): Similar requests for strengthening of States Drug Control Organizations have been received from various States/ UTs. A Statement containing the gist of the requests received from various States/ UTs is annexed. The concerned centrally sponsored scheme for strengthening of states' drug regulatory system would require the approval of the cabinet.