GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4616 ANSWERED ON:21.02.2014 NATIONAL AIDS CONTROL PROGRAMME Kalmadi Shri Suresh

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed/evaluated the performance of the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP), phase III;
- (b) if so, the the details and the outcome thereof indicating the targets set and achieved thereunder, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the funds allocated and utilised under NACP, phase III, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether certain key funding foreign agencies have curtailed their assistance/ contribution for NACP, phase N; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the corrective measures being taken by the Government to mobilize funds for NACP, phase IV; from internal sources?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEATH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ABU HASEM KHAN CHOUDHURY)

(a) & (b): Yes. The performance of NACP-III has been assessed through the HIV Estimates derived using globally comparable methods, periodical Joint Implementation Reviews and Mid-term Review involving development partners and the Government, and through independent Impact Assessment studies.

The Review Missions reported that most of the targets under NACP have been achieved and even surpassed. Impressive gains have been made in Anti-Retroviral Therapy services, upscaling of Integrated Counselling& Testing Centres and detecting People Living with HIV/AIDS.

An independent Impact Assessment Study undertaken by a consortium of three public health institutes in India brought out that the HIV epidemic has remained contained, and has been declining in the country. Increase in condom use in sex work as a result of Targeted Interventions and IEC accounted for the declines.

A detailed review of the programme performance was undertaken as a part of the elaborate multi-stakeholder consultative planning process for NACP-IV (2012-17); the key challenges identified included emerging vulnerabilities including migration & injecting drug use, and increasing treatment needs.

The HIV Estimations 2012 based on HIV Sentinel Surveillance data up to 2010-11 highlighted that the estimated number of new adult HIV infections has declined by around 57% from 2.74 lakh in 2000 to 1.16 lakh in 2011, reflecting the impact of scaled up prevention strategies. Wider access to ART has led to 29% reduction in estimated annual AIDS-related deaths from 2.07 lakhs in 2007 to 1.48 lakhs in 2011.

The targets and achievements under NACP-III are given at Statement 1 and State-wiseachievements are at Statement 2.

- (c): The details of funds allocated and utilized under NACP-III, State-wise are given at Statement 3.
- (d) & (e): Key funding foreign agencies of NACP Phase-III like World Bank and Global Fund have not curtailed their funding in NACP-IV period (from 01.04.2012 to 31.03.2017).