

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

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IMPORT OF VACCINES

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

- (a) the quantum of doses of the Japanese Encephalitis vaccine procured from China and other countries during each of the last three years and the current year, country wise;
- (b) whether China had recently refused to supply additional doses of the Japanese Encephalitis vaccine leading to their shortage in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the remedial measures taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government to overcome the problem in order to expand the vaccination programme for prevention and control of Japanese Encephalitis in the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to introduce a compulsory vaccination programme under the ambit of National Health Mission and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action plan of the Government for development and manufacturing of indigenous vaccines for Japanese Encephalitis, Influenza A H1N1, Ebola and other such communicable diseases to avoid dependence on China for expanding vaccine coverage in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIJAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) : Ministry procures Japanese Encephalitis Vaccines through M/s HLL Life care Limited (authorized agency to import and market JE vaccine) from M/s Chengdu Institute of Biological Products (CIBP), China. The quantum of doses of the Japanese Encephalitis vaccine procured during each of the last three years and the current year are given below:

Year	Quantity procured (in Lakh doses)
2012-13	591.63
2013-14 & 2014-15	669.84
2015-16	901.52 (To be procured)

(b) No.

(c) : Japanese Encephalitis Vaccination campaigns started in 2006 (with campaign activity in 11 districts in 2006-2007), over the period the program expanded to other high burden districts. Till date, 155 districts have completed the campaign activity and Japanese Encephalitis Vaccine has been introduced as a part of Routine Immunization in these districts.

(d) : There is no compulsory vaccination programme under National Health Mission. However, Universal Immunization Programme is an ongoing Programme which has been continued under National Health Mission. The Universal Immunization Programme targets to cover seven vaccine preventable disease viz. Diphtheria Pertusis Tetanus Toxoid (DPT), Hepatitis B, Measles, Polio, Bacillus Calmette Guerin (BCG) nationally. In addition, Haemophilus Influenzae -Type B (HIB) and Japanese Encephalitis Vaccines are provided sub- nationally.

(e) : In order to ensure vaccine security, the Government has approved establishment of Integrated Vaccine Complex (IVC) at Chengalpattu (Tamil Nadu), as a subsidiary of HLL Life Care Limited, a Central Public Sector Enterprise, at a cost of Rs.594.00 Crore on 26.04 2012. Integrated Vaccine Complex (IVC) is building up the facility for manufacturing of Pentavalent, Measles, Hepatitis B (Hep-B), Anti-Rabies. Haemophilus Influenzae -Type B (HIB), Japanese Encephalitis and BCG Vaccine. Office of Drugs Controller General of (India) [DCG(I)] has given license for manufacturing of killed Japanese Encephalitis Vaccine to M/s Bharat Biotech International Limited, Hyderabad & M/s Biological E. limited, Telangana & Central Research Institute (CRI), Kasauli, Himachal Pradesh.