

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:64

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CASES OF INFLUENZA A HIM

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of recent outbreak of Influenza-A HIM i (swine flu) in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of such cases detected, cured and deaths reported during the current year in comparison to each of the last three years, State/IJT-wise;
- (c) whether drugs, vaccines and other treatment and diagnostic facilities are adequately available in the affected States/ UTs, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor,;
- (d) the details of advisories/guidelines issued for handling such cases and the financial and technical assistance including the. drugs and vaccines provided to the States/UTs for diagnosis, detection, treatment and control of Influenza-A H1N1 during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for the protection of the healthcare workers dealing with the patients of Influenza-A HINT in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAG AT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 64 FOR 27 FEBRUARY, 2015

(a) & (b) Yes, the details of number of cases and deaths reported for last three years (2012, 2013, 2014) and current year up to 22rd Februaryfed5 is at Annexure I. Ali the deaths may not have occurred only due to Influenza A MINI inflection but may also be due to co-morbid conditions like lung disease, liver disease, kidney disease, blood disorders, Diabetes etc. and because of compromised immunity.

(c) In the context of the recent outbreak of Influenza A H1N1, the affected States have informed that they have sufficient stocks of drugs, diagnostics and treatment facilities. The Government of India, through a network of 21 laboratories under the Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme and Indian Council of Medical Research, is providing testing facilities for Influenza A MINI, free of cost. In addition, some States have also established testing facilities in Government Medical Colleges and also authorized private laboratories to conduct the tests. The Central Government is regularly reviewing the requirements of the State Governments and supplying the additional quantities of drugs, N 95 Masks and Personal Protective Equipment, testing kits etc. A decision for vaccination of health-care-workers associated with Influenza A MINI patients has been taken and necessary guidelines provided to the States. The projected requirements of vaccine given by the State Governments have been considered by the Central Government.

(d) In addition to guidelines for vaccination of Health-care-workers, advisories have been issued to the States for risk categorization and management of patients, clinical management and ventilator management. These have been posted on the Ministry's website and can be accessed at <http://mohfw.nic.in>. Ministry of Health has deputed Central Teams this year to Rajasthan, Gujarat, Teiangana, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra for providing technical guidance arid assistance to the State Governments. A team of physicians has also been deputed to Rajasthan for assisting the State in ventilator management. The Stales have already been supplied with 58000 Oseltamivir Capsules, 3000 N 95 masks, 9500 sets of Persona! Protective Equipments, 4250 VTM kits and diagnostic reagents for testing samples. The details are at Annexure II.

(e) The States have also been advised that the Health-care -workers should take due precautions, use Personal Protective Equipment and take chemopropylaxis with Oseltamivir to protect themselves from acquiring the infection. In addition vaccination of Health-care-workers as per guidelines has also been recommended.