

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

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Maternal and Neo-Natal Tetanus

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

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- (a) whether World Health Organisation (WHO) has certified India free from chronic bacterial infections and maternal and neonatal tetanus and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of cases of malnutrition and tuberculosis reported during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to treat and prevent the occurrence of the above diseases and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the further steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a): WHO has certified Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus Elimination (MNTE) in India in May 2015, well before the global target date of December 2015. WHO has also certified India to be free from YAWS, a chronic bacterial disease, in May 2016.

(b): The number of cases of tuberculosis reported during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise is given in Annexure-I. The details of malnutrition cases as assessed through Rapid Survey on Children (RSOC) 2014 is given in Annexure -II.

(c) & (d): To prevent the occurrence of above mentioned diseases, following steps have been taken by the government:

For Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus, institutional deliveries are being promoted to ensure clean delivery and pregnant mothers are vaccinated with two doses of Tetanus toxoid.

For Malnutrition, various interventions are being undertaken under Reproductive and Child Health Programme which include promotion of appropriate infant and young child feeding practices, management of malnutrition at community and facility level under Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illness (IMNCI), treatment of severe acute malnutrition at Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRC), Vitamin A supplementation, Iron and Folic Acid Supplementation, promotion of intake of iodised salt, assistance for nutrition support to pregnant mothers and infants through Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) and Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK), and early detection of nutritional deficiencies through Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) and Rashtriya Kishore Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK).

For Tuberculosis, Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) is being implemented in the country for prevention and control of Tuberculosis.