GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4954 ANSWERED ON:16.12.2016 Cold Chain Storage of Vaccines Rai Shri Nityanand

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

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(a) whether the Government has granted financial assistance to various States for cold chain storage of vaccines in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the assistance provided during the last two years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has developed any mechanism for inspecting proper upkeep of vaccines in such cold chain storages; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE) (a): Yes. The Government has granted financial assistance to various States/Union Territories (UTs) for cold chain maintenance. In addition, Government is also providing cold chain equipment to States/UTs.

(b): The details of financial assistance provided to State/UTs for the last two years and current year is given in Annexure.

(c) & (d): Yes. The Government has rolled out an Electronic Vaccine Intelligence Network (eVIN) system that digitizes the entire vaccine stock and temperature recoding at vaccine storage points.

The system is running in 11 states. These states are Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Odisha, Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Assam, Manipur, Nagaland and Gujarat.