**Title**: Need to provide financial assistance to Government of Andhra Pradesh to check the spread of Japanese Encephalitis disease particularly in areas of the State – Laid.

DR. (MRS.) RAJESHWARAMMA VUKKULA (NELLORE): Many children in rural areas die in Andhra Pradesh on account of Japanese Encephalitis during the period September to December every year. They belong to below the poverty line category. They are unable to bear the high cost of vaccination which can prevent this disease and save their children. Unless the Union Government assist in immunizing the children of the poor people free of cost, they would continue to die.

I, therefore, urge upon the Union Government to extend necessary co-operation in purchasing the Japanese Encephalitis vaccines according to the requirement of Andhra Pradesh as it is quite necessary to take up eradication programme of Japanese Encephalitis by the Government seriously to immunize the poor people free of cost.

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