

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6556
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH APRIL, 2018**

ROLLOUT PNEUMOCOCCAL VACCINATION

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SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to rollout Pneumococcal vaccination and Rotavirus vaccination in selected districts;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which Pneumococcal vaccination and Rotavirus vaccination scheme will be rolled out in the country?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) to (c): As per National Technical Advisory Group on Immunization (NTAGI) recommendation, Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) and Rotavirus vaccine (RVV) have been introduced in a phased manner in the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) as per availability of vaccine and resource.

Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) was introduced in 2017 and is available in Himachal Pradesh, seventeen districts of Bihar and six districts of Uttar Pradesh.

Rotavirus vaccine (RVV) was introduced in 2016 and has been expanded to nine states, namely, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Tripura.