

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4116  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2018**

**ADULT IMMUNISATION**

**4116. SHRI OM BIRLA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has rolled out any comprehensive policy for adult immunisation, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether there has been least awareness about adult immunisation among the citizens, if so, the steps taken by the Government to advertise the need of immunisation and disease protection among adults;
- (c) whether there has been a shortage of infrastructure and funds necessary for increasing the ambit of adult immunisations, if so, the details along with the proposed measures which the Government is willing to make to overcome such problems; and
- (d) the details of funds sanctioned and utilised in the adult immunisation programme by the Government during the last three years and the current year, year wise?

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

(a) & (b): No, Government of India has not rolled out any comprehensive policy for adult immunization. However, need based adult Japanese Encephalitis vaccination has been carried out in endemic districts with burden of adult Japanese Encephalitis disease.

The Universal Immunization Programme focuses on vaccine preventable diseases of public health importance targeting at children, Pregnant women and Adolescents as per the National Immunization Schedule.

(c) & (d): in view of above, the question does not arise