

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 962
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th SEPTEMBER, 2020**

UNDERTESTING OF CORONA CASES IN TELANGANA

962. SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the Central Government has received report regarding undertesting of Corona cases in the State of Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has issued directives to States/UTs to increase the tests and considered penal action against the erring State Governments, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the average number of test conducted in the State of Telangana in comparison with National average; and
- (e) the funds granted to the State of Telangana to control the Corona virus and its related activities, item wise?

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

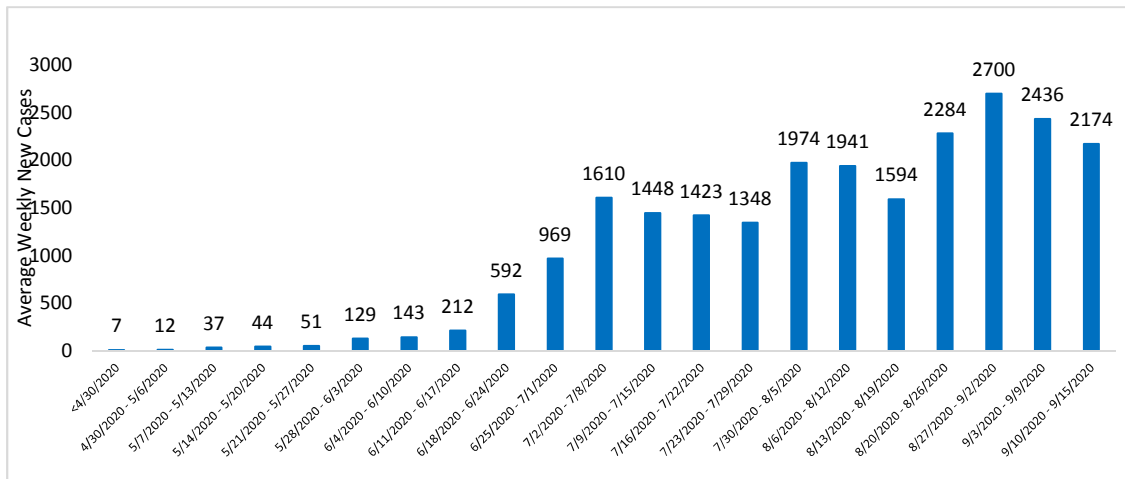
(a) & (b): Government of India is continuously monitoring the COVID-19 situation in the States/UTs and the public health response to it. As on 16th September, 2020, Telangana has reported a total of 1,62,844 COVID-19 cases and 996 deaths. A graph showing trend of cases and deaths reported from the State is at **Annexure**.

(c): Government of India has followed test-track-treat strategy for early detection and containment of the COVID-19 outbreaks in India. In this regards, State Governments and UT Administrations have been requested repeatedly through video conferences, formal letters and during State visits to ensure adequate testing and full capacity utilization of all COVID-19 testing laboratories.

(d): Telangana is testing around 426 tests/million population per day which is low compared to the national average of 683 tests/million population per day (for the period 9th September – 15th September 2020).

(e): Funds released to the State of Telangana for management and containment of COVID-19 pandemic during FY 2019-20 and 2020-21 is Rs. 33.40 crores and Rs. 256.89 crore respectively (as on 10th September, 2020).

Trend of weekly average of daily new cases for the State of Telangana



Trend of weekly average of daily deaths for the State of Telangana

