

Eradication of diseases

1338.DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to eradicate various diseases, viz Polio, T.B., Malaria and Dengue from the country; and

(b) the details of amount spent on each of the programmes launched to control each of these diseases during the last three years year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Malaria in the north-eastern States

1339.SHRI KHEKIHO ZHIMOMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the special steps taken by this Ministry for prevention, eradication and cure of malaria in each of the 8 States in the North-East India over the past three years, State-wise;

(b) the pockets/areas identified as severely malaria prone in each of the aforesaid States, State-wise;

(c) the amount of money spent on all these special programme in each of the above States for the past three years; and

(d) whether National Rural Health Mission specially focuses on anti-malaria campaign?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) The Seven North Eastern State except Sikkim are highly endemic for malaria & these States contribute around 12% of country's malaria cases as against 4% country's population. These 7 North Eastern States are also highly endemic for malaria with *P Falciparum* predominance which leads to complication & deaths due to malaria. To combat malaria in North Eastern States, 100% central assistance is being provided. Further the Seven North Eastern States except Sikkim have been included under Global Fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria(GFATM) supported Intensified Malaria Control Project (IMCP) through which additional assistance in the form of technical manpower, new diagnostics tools like rapid Diagnostic kits, Artesunate Combination Therapy (ACT), Arteether Injection, bednets, insecticides for treating bednets is being provided. State wise details of the same are given in the Statement-I and Statement-II (See below).

(c) The central assistance provided to the North Eastern state including external aided components is enclosed in the Statement-III (See below).

(d) Yes, The National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme which includes malaria control is being implemented under the over all umbrella of National Rural Health Mission with special focus in high endemic areas.