

Statement

Details of private expenditure on health as percentage of total health expenditure on health in respect of some selected developing countries

Sl. No.	Countries	Total exp. on health as % of Gross Domestic Product-2007	Private exp. on health as % of total Exp. on health-2007
1.	Afghanistan	7.6	76.4
2.	Bangladesh	3.4	66.4
3.	Brazil	8.4	58.4
4.	China	4.3	55.3
5.	India	4.1	73.8
6.	Indonesia	2.2	45.5
7.	Malaysia	4.4	55.6
8.	Mexico	5.9	54.6
9.	Nepal	5.1	60.3
10.	Pakistan	2.7	70.0
11.	Sri Lanka	4.2	52.5
12.	Thailand	3.7	26.8

Source: World Health Statistics -2010 published by World Health Organization

Status of Pentavalent Vaccine Programme

1327. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of Pantavalent vaccine programme;
- (b) whether there has been a delay in implementing the programme;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the fund allotted for the programme and their utilization, year-wise;
- (e) whether enough supply of such vaccines is available for replacing the tetravalent vaccines completely;
- (f) whether any pilot programme has been launched to study the outcomes of administering pentavalent vaccine; and

(g) if so, the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD):
(a) to (g) National Advisory Group on Immunization (NTAGI) has recommended introduction of pentavalent vaccine in the states of Tamil Nadu and Kerala on a pilot basis before expanding to other States. NTAGI also recommended ICMR to develop a protocol for surveillance of Hib meningitis in selected hospitals to understand the trend over time. Final decision in the matter will be taken soon.

Revoking of licence for BCG Vaccine Laboratory, Chennai

1328. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has revoked the suspension of the laboratory's licence for BCG Vaccine Laboratory at Chennai recently;

(b) if so, whether the norms of Good Manufacturing Protocol by WHO has been applicable to this vaccine manufacturing unit; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the follow up actions taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) to (c) Yes. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare *vide* its Order dated 26.02.2010 revoked the suspension of licence of BCG Vaccine Laboratory at Chennai. The Institute has been given three years for becoming compliant with the requirements of Good Manufacturing Practices as contained in Schedule M of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules 1945.

New test for TB diagnosis

1329. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

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

(a) whether Government is aware of the new 100 minute test for TB diagnosis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the estimated cost of the new test in India;

(d) whether Government plans to approve introduction of the test across hospitals and other health centres in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) and (b) Yes. Gene Xpert is a fully automated Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (NAAT) which has been endorsed by World Health Organization (WHO).