

**Statement-VI***Physical achievements during last three years under  
Vocational Rehabilitation Centres (VRCs)*

Year	Intake	Evaluation	Rehabilitation
2008-09	34501	34288	11132
2009-10	30279	30047	107870
2010-11	30008	32793	12657

**Financial assistance for JE affected districts**

1494. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to provide financial assistance packages to Japanese Encephalitis (JE) affected districts all over the country;
- (b) if so, the quantum of funds released and to which districts;
- (c) whether any vaccination programme has been started to control JE in the affected districts in the country specially in Assam, West Bengal, Bihar and Tamil Nadu; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY): (a) and (b) Government of India (GOI) constituted a Group of Ministers (GoM) in November, 2011 to evolve a multi-pronged strategy to address multiple issues relating to Japanese Encephalitis/Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (JE/AES). GoM held 4 meetings and finalized its recommendations pertaining to public health interventions, expansion of JE vaccination, improved case management, medical and social rehabilitation, improved provisions of drinking water and sanitation in rural and urban areas and improved nutrition. The GoM recommendations have been submitted to the Cabinet Secretariat.

(c) and (d) JE vaccination in campaign mode started in 2006 in a phased manner. 112 JE endemic districts in 15 States including Assam, West Bengal, Bihar and Tamil Nadu have been covered till December, 2011. JE vaccination in these districts initially covered all children in the age group of 1-15 years in campaign mode and thereafter all new cohorts were covered through routine JE vaccination is administered to children in age-group of 16-24 months.

**Free treatment for cancer afflicted children**

†1495. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the States where facility of free treatment to cancer afflicted minor children are being provided in the country;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.