

A network of ten laboratories is being set up in a phased manner for carrying out surveillance in hospital.

- The Handbook on Safe Injection practices on viral hepatitis was developed by expert working group. This will support to increase the awareness on prevention of blood transmitted pathogens like Hepatitis B&C, HIV etc. among health care providers and help in prevention and control of hepatitis B,C.
- The Prevention, Control and Treatment guidelines for viral hepatitis have been prepared by the expert working group and are under the final stages of development.
- NCDC has also developed fact sheets on Hepatitis A, B, C and E which along with Safe Injection Practices guidelines handbook is uploaded on official website of NCDC.

Currently there is no strategy that synergies between viral hepatitis prevention and other programmes. However, in future when our National Programme on Prevention and Control of viral hepatitis is fully implemented this issue can be considered.

Reforming of medical education

1035. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to reform Indian Medical Education by incorporating the latest medical technology and teaching aids in various medical subjects;

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when it will be started;

(c) whether Government is also considering strict control with a view on reducing medical malpractices while preparing comprehensive revision of the medical education curriculum in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) to (d) The Medical Council of India (MCI) is the statutory body responsible for establishing and maintaining high standards in medical education. Updating of medical syllabus is a continuous process.