

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the manner in which the information is disseminated; and
- (d) the assistance provided to the State Governments for filling up vacancies in Government hospitals including Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) Yes. Under the Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme, States report outbreak prone diseases to the central surveillance unit.

- (c) • Under IDSP data is collected on epidemic prone diseases on weekly basis (Monday-Sunday).
- The information is collected on three specified reporting formats, namely “S” (suspected cases), “P” (presumptive cases) and “L” (laboratory confirmed cases) filled by Health Workers, Clinicians and Laboratory staff respectively.
- The relevant IDSP information and weekly outbreak reports are available in public domain at the link: www.idsp.nic.in
- (d) Health is a State subject. However, financial support is given to the States (including Andhra Pradesh) for health systems strengthening including engagement of contractual Human Resource in the Government Hospitals as proposed by the States in their Program Implementation Plans (PIPs).

Dangers pose by Ebola

†275. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO:

DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:

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

- (a) whether there is a danger of spread of Ebola in India as well;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any case of Ebola infection has come to light in India, so far;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the status of the patients;
- (e) whether Government is taking precautionary measures in view of the possible danger of Ebola; and

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- (f) if so, the details thereof and how it is detected?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) to (d) There is a risk of Ebola Virus Disease coming to India through travelers from affected countries in West Africa. No case of Ebola Virus Disease has been reported in India so far.

(e) and (f) Government has taken a series of measures to prevent entry of Ebola Virus Disease into the country and to contain it rapidly, if a case is reported in India.

There is screening of passengers coming from affected countries at international airports and major ports. The Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme is tracking such passengers arriving from affected countries or having history of contact with a suspect or confirmed Ebola Case. Two laboratories namely National Institute of Virology, Pune and National Centre for Disease Control, Delhi are testing clinical samples of high risk passengers. State Governments have identified isolation facilities. Training for Master Trainers and Rapid Response teams of the States/ Union Territories have been accomplished. Personal Protective Equipments have been provided to the States/ Union Territories.

Ebola Virus Disease is detected through laboratory tests namely Reverse Transcriptase Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) and Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).

Health insurance cover for every citizen

†276.SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large section of population in the country is out of health insurance cover even now;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is going to introduce any new scheme to bring every citizen of the country under the health insurance cover; and
- (d) if so, the details of progress so far in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) In terms of lives, in the year 2013-14, the coverage of health insurance was 21.62 Crore and it registered a growth of 13.21% over 2012-13.

(c) and (d) There is no such proposal finalized at this stage.

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