

(c) The Mission focuses on interventions to rapidly increase full immunization coverage of children by approximately 5% annually and to expand full immunization coverage to at least 90% children in the next five years.

Four special vaccination campaigns will be conducted from 7th of every month starting from April, 2015 and this will cover all children less than two years of age and pregnant women for tetanus toxoid vaccine in these selected 201 districts.

Bulk procurement of drugs

2190. SHRIMATI THOTA SEETHARAMA LAKSHMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to procure medicines in bulk from public as well as private drug manufacturing firms and re-brand them under Jan Aushadha;
- (b) if so, the details of the drugs proposed to be procured; and
- (c) the steps to be taken by Government to check the quality of these drugs?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) to (c) Jan Aushadhi Scheme is implemented by Department of Pharmaceuticals. As per the information provided by the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Jan Aushadhi Stores have been opened across the country since the inception of the scheme against which only 96 are functional as on date. The scheme is being revisited to expand its reach across the country. Details are being worked out by Bureau of Pharma Public Sector Undertakings of India (BPPI) in consultation with Department of Pharmaceuticals. To ensure quality in procured medicines, BPPI has prescribed certain norms for bidders/suppliers. All the supplies are sample tested batch wise at NABL accredited laboratories before being put on sale under the scheme.

Right to healthcare

2191. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to hike health spending to 2.5 per cent of GDP;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to make health care a fundamental right similar to education; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?