Dependence on China for supply of key vaccines

1824.DR. PRABHAKAR KORE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India's over dependence on China for key vaccines and mainly for sourcing of raw material used in medicines has become a cause of concern for the Government; and
- (b) whether Government has agreed to pay more for additional supplies of Japanese Encephalitis (JE) vaccines to China, and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) The Government procures only Live Attenuated Japanese Encephalitis (JE) Vaccines from Chengdu Institute of Biological Products (CIBP), China through M/s HLL Life Care Limited. Other key vaccines like DPT, TT, Hep-B, Measels, BCG, t-OPV and b-OPV are procured from domestic manufacturers. However, bulk drugs and drug intermediates are also imported from China.

(b) The Government has been procuring Live Attenuated JE Vaccines from China which is not manufactured in India. Requirement of 2013-14 and 2014-15 was 669.84 lakh doses which were procured at a rate of ₹ 19.94 per dose. For 2015-16 and 2016-17, the requirement is 901.52 lakh doses for which the rate has been finalized at ₹ 27.73 per dose.

Violation of Provisions of JSSK in Jharkhand

1825.SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Mamata Vahan of Jharkhand is violating the provisions of the Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK) scheme by charging money for transportation to workplace and back from working women which is to ensure free transport to women from home to workplace and in between referrals and drop back; and
- (b) whether any other State has implemented such charges, and if so, the names of the States?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) As per the communication received from Government of Jharkhand, the State has categorically denied that Mamata Vahan of Jharkhand is violating the provisions of the Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK) scheme by