

interventions upto the district level includes awareness generation for Cancer prevention, screening, early detection and referral to an appropriate level institution for treatment. For cancer, the focus is on three Cancers namely breast, cervical and oral. Under the programme, 599 Non Communicable Diseases (NCD) Clinics at District level and 3274 NCD Clinics at Community Health Centre (CHC) level has been set up.

To enhance the facilities for tertiary care of cancer, the Central Government is implementing Strengthening of Tertiary Care for Cancer Scheme, under which setting up of 18 State Cancer Institutes and 20 Tertiary Care Cancer Centres have been approved. Further, oncology is one of the superspecialty departments in all new All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and also in many Government Medical College (GMC) upgradation projects under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna (PMSSY). At the apex level, National Cancer Institute has been set up at Jhajjar in, Haryana and setting up of second campus of Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute at Kolkata has also been approved.

#### **Medical devices under the jurisdiction of CDSCO**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government plans to bring all medical devices under the jurisdiction of the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) with an aim to improve their quality as well as safety;

(b) whether Government also proposes to establish a separate statutory body on the lines of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for the regulation of medical devices; and

(c) if so, details of the proposal and time-frame for implementation of the plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare regulates the safety, efficacy and quality of notified medical devices under the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules made thereunder.

In order to bring all the non-notified Medical Devices under the regulation, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India has prepared a road map and published draft rule vide G.S.R. 797 (E), dated 18th October, 2019.

Further, a Notice has been issued seeking the comments of the stakeholders on a proposal to notify all the medical devices under sub section (b) of section (3) of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 to regulate them as per the provisions of the said Act and Medical Devices Rules, 2017 framed thereunder.

(b) and (c) No such proposal has been approved by the Government.

**Deaths of children under age of five**

269. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over 500 children below the age of five years die of diarrhoea everyday;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to promote awareness as well as provide proper medication and health facilities to the children under age of five; and

(c) the State-wise data of the number of deaths caused due to diarrhoea and other such diseases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) As per report of causes of deaths in India 2010-13 released by Registrar General of India, 8.6 % of the child mortality is attributed to diarrhoea. This translates into 77,400 diarrhoeal deaths in children under five in 2017. Therefore about 212 children are estimated to die because of diarrhoea every day in 2017.

(b) Under National Health Mission (NHM), the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is implementing various programs to reduce diarrhoea morbidity and mortality.

In order to control deaths due to diarrhoea and generate awareness in the community, "Intensified Diarrhoea Control Fortnight (IDCF)" is being implemented every year all over the country since 2014 during May-June keeping in view the onset of monsoons. The various activities in the IDCF are Home visits by ASHA for prepositioning of ORS, establishment of ORS and Zinc Corners, Hand Washing demonstration in schools, and intensive awareness generation involving multiple sectors through convergence. This campaign is further intensified as "Defeat Diarrhoea campaign (D2)" to eliminate deaths due to diarrhoea by 2022.