

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1691
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2024**

“DENGUE CASES”

1691: SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to start a Central helpline number to tackle the threat of dengue and check dengue cases during the monsoon season in the country ;
- (b) if so, details thereof and work done in this direction ;
- (c) whether Government has issued any directives to the State Governments in this regard and if so, the details thereof ;
- (d) whether Government has identified the areas where special attention needs to be paid on and if so, details thereof, State-wise and location-wise ;
- (e) whether Government has issued any advisory to the Central Government Hospitals and all AIIMS across the country and if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (c) Government of India(GoI) monitors Dengue situation through weekly reports submitted by the States and Union Territories. GoI under the National Health Mission implements National Vector Borne Disease Control Program (NVBDCP) for prevention and Control of Vector Borne Diseases including Dengue. As health is a state subject, GoI does not propose to start a Central helpline. All States/Union Territories are having helpline number for addressing the queries from the community.

(d) Dengue situation and preparedness of the States are reviewed wherein States are requested for special attention in the areas reporting higher number of cases. Such areas are identified from the weekly reports of the States.

(e) An Advisory was issued to the Central Government Hospitals including AIIMS, New Delhi on 24th April 2024.
