

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:863

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ERADICATION OF LEPROSDY

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

- (a) whether the number of leprosy patients in India are higher as compared to other countries as;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of leprosy cases detected during each of the last three years, State/Union territory wise;
- (d) the reasons for increase in the leprosy patients, particularly in Raigarh district of Maharashtra and Orissa;
- (e) whether anti-leprosy efforts have not achieved full success so far;
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor and the target fixed for elimination of leprosy;
- (g) whether all the States have undertaken campaign for leprosy detection during the current year;
- (h) if so, the details thereof; and
- (i) the funds allocated to States for the eradication of leprosy and for their rehabilitation during the current year, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The reasons in this regard are:

- Presence of a large number of leprosy cases before Multi Drug Treatment was introduced and non-availability of effective treatment before MDT was introduced in 1981.
- Hot humid tropical climate.
- Higher population density with poor socio-economic status, including overcrowding.

(c) State-wise position of number of leprosy cases detected during the last three years is at Annex-I.

(d) The increase in leprosy cases is due to the detection of a large number of hidden cases during the intensive case detection drive undertaken during the modified leprosy elimination campaigns in these States, including Raigarh district of Maharashtra. However, there is no increase in incidence of new cases.

(e) & (f) There are still many hidden cases due to stigma and weak health infrastructure in some areas. The target now fixed for leprosy elimination is to reduce case load to less than 1/10,000 population by the end of 2003.

(g) & (h) Active cases detection drive has been undertaken during the current year in the States of West Bengal, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh. It will be undertaken in March in Bihar. In the remaining States case detection has been undertaken through passive approach by encouraging patients to report at Health Centres.

(i) Details of State-wise funds allocated for eradication of leprosy during the current year are at Annex-II.

ANNEX-I

NATIONAL LEPROSY ERADICATION PROGRAMME

STATEWISE NUMBER OF PATIENTS ON RECORD DURING THE LAST 3 YEARS

S.No Name of the State As on 3/97 As on 3/98 As on 3/99

1	Andhra Pradesh	45573	40497	35052
2	Arunachal Pradesh	518	303	440
3	Assam	7865	6531	5227
4	Bihar	104114	102272	162848
5	Goa	361	417	533
6	Gujarat	15795	13348	7473
7	Haryana	555	541	1021
8	Himachal Pradesh	1770	1260	625
9	Jammu & Kashmir	1998	1519	1403
10	Karnataka	17250	13780	12639
11	Kerala	6483	4576	4208
12	Madhya Pradesh	50072	32994	34385
13	Maharashtra	33446	44690	30977
14	Manipur	668	519	522
15	Meghalaya	918	779	492
16	Mizoram	107	114	106
17	Nagaland	502	117	61
18	Orissa	43570	85270	34452
19	Punjab	1493	1441	1752
20	Rajasthan	10315	10604	9863
21	Sikkim	110	98	110
22	Tamil Nadu	49707	36151	32713
23	Tripura	682	402	579
24	Uttar Pradesh	76967	69277	75992
25	West Bengal	59517	37452	52012
26	Delhi	9940	12173	2352
27	Pondicherry	398	233	284
28	Andman & Nicobar	151	121	89
29	Chandigarh	479	414	582
30	D & Haveli	264	181	258
31	Daman & Diu	195	141	46
32	Lakshadweep	26	26	12

Total 541809 518241 509108

Annex-II

NATIONAL LEPROSY ERADICATION PROGRAMME

BUDGET ESTIMATES 1999-2000 (PROPOSED)

STATE-WISE , SECTOR-WISE BREAKUP OF CENTRAL ASSISTANCE

S.No States/Sector T.S. Plan S.C. Plan Other than Plan Total B.E. 1999-2000

Cash Kind Total Cash Kind Total Cash Kind Total Cash Kind Total

A STATES

1	Andhra Pradesh	10.20	6.00	16.20	46.00	30.31	76.31	115.80	93.69	209.49	172.00	130.00	302.00
2	Arunachal Pr.	12.00	4.00	16.00	-	-	0.00	9.00	3.00	12.00	21.00	7.00	28.00

3 Assam	1.00	3.00	4.00	1.00	2.31	3.31	3.00	15.69	18.69	5.00	21.00	26.00
4 Bihar	10.57	30.00	40.57	26.00	45.45	71.45	163.43	189.55	352.98	200.00	265.00	465.00
5 Goa	-	-	0.00	0.05	0.10	0.45	0.95	1.40	0.50	1.00	1.50	
6 Gujarat	2.00	18.63	20.63	2.00	12.22	14.22	15.00	84.15	99.15	19.00	115.00	134.00
7 Haryana	-	-	0.00	0.25	2.11	2.36	0.75	3.89	4.64	1.00	6.00	7.00
8 Himachal Pr.	0.30	0.30	0.60	3.00	2.92	5.92	6.70	4.78	11.48	10.00	8.00	18.00
9 Jammu & Kashmir	-	-	0.00	4.00	0.50	4.50	16.00	3.50	19.50	20.00	4.00	24.00
10 Karnataka	2.00	2.02	4.02	16.00	31.30	47.30	53.00	104.68	157.68	71.00	138.00	209.00
11 Kerala	1.00	0.55	1.55	2.00	15.40	17.40	7.00	88.05	95.05	10.00	104.00	114.00
12 Madhya Pradesh	29.27	47.00	76.27	30.00	44.74	74.74	88.73	138.26	226.99	148.00	230.00	378.00
13 Maharashtra	2.00	12.38	14.38	4.00	20.81	24.81	29.00	201.81	230.81	35.00	235.00	270.00
14 Manipur	0.50	1.33	1.83	0.50	0.10	0.60	1.00	2.57	3.57	2.00	4.00	6.00
15 Meghalaya	1.50	2.56	4.06	-	-	0.00	0.50	1.44	1.94	2.00	4.00	6.00
16 Mizoram	12.00	2.56	14.56	-	-	0.00	18.00	1.44	19.44	30.00	4.00	6.00
17 Nagaland	3.00	2.56	5.56	-	-	0.00	5.00	1.44	6.44	8.00	4.00	12.00
18 Orissa	50.58	54.06	104.64	35.00	38.08	73.08	84.42	108.86	193.28	170.00	201.00	371.00
19 Punjab	-	-	0.00	10.00	1.00	11.00	20.00	1.00	21.00	30.00	2.00	32.00
20 Rajasthan	3.99	2.93	6.92	8.00	5.70	13.70	49.01	13.37	62.38	61.00	22.00	83.00
21 Sikkim	3.39	0.45	3.84	1.21	0.30	1.51	17.40	2.25	19.65	22.00	3.00	25.00
22 Tamil Nadu	0.61	0.76	1.37	30.47	31.88	62.35	93.92	119.36	213.28	125.00	152.00	277.00
23 Tripura	4.46	1.26	5.72	3.50	1.00	4.50	16.04	1.74	17.78	24.00	4.00	24.00
24 Uttar Pradesh	0.39	0.51	0.90	50.69	64.04	114.73	113.42	189.45	302.87	164.50	254.00	418.50
25 West Bengal	3.37	5.34	8.71	30.55	46.18	76.73	72.08	112.48	184.56	106.00	164.00	270.00

Sub Total 154.13 198.20 352.33 304.22 396.40 700.62 998.65 1487.40 2486.05 1457.00 2082.00 3539.00

B. UT Legislatures

26 Pondicherry	-	-	0.00	0.60	2.00	2.60	1.40	8.80	10.20	2.00	10.80	12.80
27 Delhi	-	-	0.00	0.20	0.40	0.60	1.80	0.80	2.60	2.00	1.20	3.20

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