

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

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IMPACT OF ANTI-MOSQUITO MEDICINES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any survey to study the adverse impact of the use of anti-mosquito medicines on the human body and the environment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the effective steps taken/proposed to be taken for eradication of mosquitoes and the diseases resulting from mosquitoes in each State of the country particularly in Jharkhand and Bihar ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) Only those insecticides which have been approved and registered by the Central Insecticide Board after clearance on bio-efficacy as well as toxicity are used under the National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme for the control of vector borne disease.

Before introduction of any insecticide under the Programme, necessary registration with the Central Insecticide Board is required for which the concerned manufacturer has to provide details of the studies conducted on its bio-efficacy and toxicity.

(c) The Government of India has a well defined Programme viz. National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP) for control of vector borne diseases in the country including Jharkhand and Bihar. The strategies adopted under the Programme include surveillance, early diagnosis and prompt treatment of cases, sustainable vector control including Indoor Residual Spray with insecticides treated bednets, use of larvivorous fish etc. besides Training & Information, Education and Communication to enlist community involvement.