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AIDS PROGRAMME IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has launched an " AIDS Free Bellary" programme in the District of Bellary, Karnataka ;
- (b) if so, the detail of the programme launched ;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated released and spent for the purpose;
- (d) the results achieved so far;
- (e) whether the State Government of Karnataka has misused the financial assistance provided by the Union Government for the AIDS Control programme in the District;
- (f) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;
- (g) if so, the details thereof;
- (h) whether the Government has received any proposal to construct Modern Hospitals in Bellary District to cure AIDS patients ;
- (i) if so, the details thereof; and
- (j) the time by which these hospitals are likely to be constructed and start functioning?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) "AIDS Free Bellary" programme includes support from three agencies, namely Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, UNDP (CHARKA) and National AIDS Control Programme (NACP).

(c) The details of fund allocated released and spent by agency wise is given at Annexure.

In addition funds have been provided through the State AIDS Control Society (SACS), Karnataka from NACO for establishment & implementation of Voluntary Counseling & Testing Centres(VCTC), Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission (PPTCT), counseling , Care & support, blood safety measures and Anti Retroviral Treatment(ART) facility. District Bellary has also been sanctioned as one of the '3' comprehensive model districts project started with support of WHO from current year.

(d) The result achieved are as under:

Training of peripheral level health workers such as, 281 Health Workers (Male & Female) and 1235 Anganwadi Workers in the district have been completed under the Coordinated HIV/AIDS and STD Response through Capacity building and Awareness (CHARKA) Project. Mass Awareness Campaign launched in collaboration with MYRADA and Mahila Samakhya at the village level in Taluks of Bellary district.

Workplace interventions in collaboration with ILO have been launched for mining, steel, garment, granite, transport and hotel industries in the district.

3 combined Voluntary Counseling & Testing Centres(VCTC), Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission (PPTCT) Centres established in VIMS Bellary, General Hospitals in Kudligi and Hospet Taluks. In addition two VCTC, one PPTCT, one Care & Support Centre, 2 blood bank, one ART centre have also been established.

Till August 2005, a total of 8732 antinatal mother tested for HIV of which 122 found positive who were covered by counseling prophylactic Nevirapine to mother & their new born.

Similarly 6794 persons were tested at VCTC till June 2005 of which 1810 were found positive who were given both pre & post counseling.

(e) No such complaint has been received.

(f) & (g) Does not arise.

(h) to (j) There is no proposal received from state government for construction of such hospitals. However, VIMS hospital, Bellary has been sanctioned ART centre for starting free ART treatment.

ANNEXURE

The details of funds released and spent Agency-wise

S.No	Agency	Period	Amount allocated	Spent
1.	UNDP/CHARKA Project through Karnataka SACS	1.1.04 to 31.12.04 1.1.05 to 30.10.05	14.70 30.711	14.59 27.189
2.	Bill & Millenda Gate Foundation Karnataka Health Promotion Trust (KHPT)	1.1.04 to 31.3.05 through 1.4.05 to 30.10.05	7.83 5.05	7.50 5.01