

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

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INDIGENOUS MEDICINES FOR CANCER
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the incidence of Cancer is increasing day by day ;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering to find out remedial measures using indigenous medicines to control the Cancer; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Information regarding the remedial measures using indigenous medicines to control the cancer is being collected and will subsequently be tabled on the Floor of the House.

As per the information collected by the population based cancer registries functioning under the National Cancer registry programme of Indian Council of Medical Research, it has been estimated that about 7 to 9 lakh new cancer cases are detected every year in India. At any given point of time, there are 2 to 2.5 million cancer patients in the country. This data does not indicate any significant increase in the incidence rate of cancer of all sites combined together. The Task Force for the 11th Five Year Plan strategies regarding National Cancer Control Programme has been constitute.

The Task Force is likely to submit the report in due course of time.

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