

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

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CHIKUNGUNYA MENACE

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

(a) whether the Government is aware of the deaths caused due to `Chikungunya` a dengue like fever that is spreading in several States of the country particularly in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken to check the spread of the disease?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Government of India is aware about spread of Chikungunya in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu. The high incidence of fever cases with arthralgia were reported from 15 districts of Andhra Pradesh, 17 districts of Karnataka and 15 districts of Maharashtra. State-wise distribution of suspected Chikungunya fever is indicated below:-

State	No.of districts affected	No.of suspected Chikungunya fever cases	No.of deaths
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Andhra Pradesh	15	26864	0
Karnataka	17	107740	0
Maharashtra	15	34725	0
Tamil Nadu	9	1949	0

(c): The Government of India has taken following steps to contain the spread of Chikungunya:

(i) Deputed teams consisting of epidemiologist, public health specialists, microbiologist for assessment of the situation and provided technical assistance to the states for technical support and guidance.

(ii) Disseminated comprehensive technical guidelines to States regarding preventive and promotive measures to contain the spread of Chikungunya, diagnosis & symptomatic treatment of Chikungunya fever.

(iii) The States have been supplied larvicides and Pyrethrum Extract 2% for fogging:

States	Temephos	Pyrethrum
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Andhra Pradesh	1200 Litres	1500 Litres
Karnataka	500 Litres	1000 Litres

Maharashtra 2000 Litres 1950 Litres