

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

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

- (a) whether the number of HIV infected patients is increasing day-by-day in the national capital;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the doctors and health workers in the capital are at a greater risk of getting infected owing to their occupational proximity to these patients; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to check such risks of HIV infection in hospitals in the capital?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The trend of HIV infection in the country is determined by carrying out annual sentinel surveillance and reporting of AIDS cases. The HIV prevalence among ANC population and STD population and reported AIDS cases in NCT of Delhi for the last three years is as below:

Year	HIV prevalence among Reported AIDS	prevalence among Sexually Transmitted Antenatal Clinics Disease (STD) (ANC)	cases
2003	0.13%	7.20%	114
2004	0.38%	7.985	68
2005	0.25%	9.15%	1027

The available trend do not indicate any significant change. The number of AIDS reported cases during 2005 may have increased due to expansion in the provision of ART facilities.

(c) & (d) Doctors and Health Workers have been advised to take universal precautions while working in the hospitals. The provision for post exposure prophylaxis of drugs has also been made for health workers following accidental contact with blood and its products and following needle stick injury in all Govt. Hospitals.