

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

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AIDS/ HIV PATIENTS  
Pathak Shri Brajesh

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

- (a) the number of AIDS/HIV affected patients and number of persons died of AIDS in the country;
- (b) the details of special drive undertaken for ascertaining their numbers as well as identifying the affected persons;
- (c) the details of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) engaged in combating AIDS;
- (d) the funds allocated to each NGO, year-wise during the last three years; and
- (e) the details of action taken by the Government to check AIDS in the country and the success achieved by the Government as a result thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

- (a): Since 1986, a total of 160112 AIDS cases and 10170 deaths due to AIDS have been reported as on October, 2006. It is estimated that there are 5.2 million persons living with HIV infection in the country.
- (b): Counselling and testing facilities are being rapidly expanded to increase access so that infected persons can be identified. At present 3394 integrated counseling and testing centres have been established.
- (c)&(d): Under the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP), phase-II, 1040 NGOs are implementing 1088 Targeted Intervention (TIs) projects among High Risk Groups (HRGs) and 107 NGOs are running 122 Community Care Centres (CCCs) across the country. The funding of NGOs for HIV/AIDS prevention and control has been decentralized to the respective State AIDS Control Societies. States are given funds by National AIDS Control Organisation as per the approved action plan annually. The statement showing funds allocated for Targeted Intervention programme and Community Care Centres for each state during last three years is at Annexure I.
- (e): Government of India is implementing National AIDS Control Programme in the country as a 100% centrally sponsored scheme. The main activities include Targeted Interventions among high risk groups i.e. Commercial Sex Workers, Men having sex with men, Injecting Drug Users, Truckers, Migrant Labours etc., IEC & Advocacy activities, Condom Promotion, Treatment for Sexually Transmitted Infection, referrals for Counseling & Testing facilities, provision of safe blood, Anti Retro Viral Treatment, Treatment for Opportunistic Infections, Community Care Centres, Drop in Centres, Inter Sectoral Collaboration & mainstreaming activities etc. The details of achievements as on October 2006 is at Annexure II.