

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

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ERADICATION OF BRAIN-MALARIA AND KALA-AZAR
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount provided for eradication of Brain-Malaria and Kala-Azar during the financial year 2004-05 by the Union Government;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the fact that Brain-Malaria and Kala-Azar have spread widely in Jharkhand specially in Santhal Pargana, region during the last six months; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the remedial measures taken in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP) is in operation in the country for the control of Malaria, Filaria, Kala-azar, Japanese Encephalitis and Dengue. During 2004-05, an outlay of Rs.269 crores has been provided in the Budget Estimates for NVBDCP for prevention and control of vector borne diseases including Malaria and Kala-azar. The amount allocated to Jharkhand State for Malaria and Kala-azar during the year 2004-05 is as under:-

(Rs. In lakhs)

Malaria	Kala-azar	Total
1553.09	293.65	1846.74

(b): Government is aware of the prevalence of Malaria & Kala-azar cases in Jharkhand and in districts of Santhal Pargana. In Santhal Pargana of Jharkhand, there are six districts namely Dumka, Pakur, Sahebgang, Godda, Deoghar and Jamtara. As per the reports received from the State Health Authorities, District-wise cases and deaths due to Malaria and Kala-azar during 2004 are as under:-

District	Malaria (upto October)	Kala-azar (upto September)
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	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Dumka	4394	0	488	7
Pakur	2599	0	373	1
Sahebganj	2426	0	399	0
Godda	4041	27	1989	5
Deoghar	89	0	-	-
Jamtara	0	0	-	-

(c): The steps taken by the Government for effective control of Malaria are:-

- Early Diagnosis and prompt treatment of malaria cases
- Integrated Vector Control
- Early detection and containment of malaria epidemic/outbreaks.
- Information Education and Communication (IEC) towards personal prevention and community participation
- Training and capacity building of Medical and Para-Medical workers
- Monitoring and Evaluation.
- Effective Management Information System

The steps taken by the Government for effective control of Kala-azar are:-

- Early diagnosis and complete treatment through Primary Health Care System and periodic door-to-door case search.
- Interruption of transmission through vector control by DDT indoor spraying in affected areas.
- Health Education and Community participation.