

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

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

(a) The State-wise details of funds allocated for the purpose of eradication of leprosy alongwith the amount spent there from during the last three years and the current year.

(b) The details of success achieved, State-wise alongwith the names of States which have not so far achieved their target for eradication of leprosy?

Answer

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

(a) Funds allocated to the states and amount spent under National Leprosy Eradication Programme during last three years and current year is as below:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year Allocation Expenditure

2005-06 3762 3161.52

2006-07 3725 3256.76

2007-08 3650 2282.10

2008-09 4100.40 846.07
As on Aug/Sept.08

The statewise detail is enclosed at Annexure I.

(b) Spectacular success has been achieved against the disease after introduction of MDT. A total of 12.14 million leprosy patients were cured by MDT since its inception in 1982-83 till March 2008. The leprosy recorded case load came down from 57.60 cases per 10,000 population in 1980-81 to less than 1 case per 10,000 population at national level in Dec.'05. The country thus achieved the goal of elimination of leprosy as a public health problem i.e. prevalence rate (PR) of less than 1 case per 10,000 population at national level in December 2005 as set by National Health Policy, 2002.

29 states/UTs have achieved the goal of leprosy elimination.

6 states / UTs viz Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal., Chandigarh, and Dadar Nagar & Haveli have yet to achieve elimination. The state wise details regarding new leprosy cases detected during 2007-08 and cases on record as on March 2008 is enclosed at Annexure II.