

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CASES OF CANCER

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

- (a) the total number of cancer patients detected, cured and died during each of the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated to the State Governments and utilised by them and the number of patients benefited under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) during the said period, State/UTwise;
- (c) whether any assessment has been made by the Government to ascertain the success of implementation of NCCP in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the achievements made against the target fixed during the said period;and
- (e) the further measures being taken by the Government to contain the spread of cancer in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a): According to a Report of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), based on Population Cancer Registry the number of new cancer cases occurring every year in India is estimated to be about 9 lakhs. The information on new cancer patients, cure rates and deaths due to cancer is not centrally maintained.

(b): National Cancer Control Programme(NCCP) is a centrally sponsored plan scheme. Grant to State Medical Colleges/Institutions are released on receipt of complete proposals and on the recommendation of the Standing Committee headed by Director General of Health Services. The allocation for the NCCP for the last three years is as under: -

Year allocation

2007-08 110 crore

2008-09 105 crore

2009-10 120 crore

Funds are not allocated to State Government directly under NCCP.

(c) & (d): Evaluation of NCCP was carried out in 2002 and the revised NCCP is in operation since 2005.

The main aim of the NCCP is to reduce the incidence, morbidity and mortality of cancer and to improve the quality of life of cancer patients in a defined population, through the systematic implementation of evidence based interventions and prevention, early detection, diagnosis, treatment and palliative care.

This Ministry is implementing various schemes under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) and releasing the grant-in-aid to the Medical Colleges/Hospitals for creating awareness and upgrading the Medical infrastructure for providing cost effective treatment to the poor and needy patients. In addition 27 Regional Cancer Centres have been recognized in various States/UTs for carrying out research activity and providing treatment to the cancer patients.