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Title : Need to control Sepsis, a life threatening disease.

SHRI PREM DAS RAI (SIKKIM): The attention of the Government may be drawn to the emerging medical threat of increased deaths due to Sepsis. Sepsis is a life-threatening condition that arises when the chemicals are released into the blood to fight infection trigger widespread inflammation causing eventual organ damage and death.

A nationwide study in 2012 found a prevalence of sepsis within ICUs of hospitals: one in four patients admitted in ICUs contracted the ailment in emergency department of hospitals. Almost one in two patients with sepsis died. 859 (4209 surveyed) or 27.6% of the patients who died of sepsis were not operated upon and were in hospital for non-surgical treatment.

In the U.S., sepsis accounts for far more deaths than the number of deaths from prostate cancer, breast cancer and AIDS combined. This has been declared as a leading cause of death in developed nations like the United States and United Kingdom.

The reasons for the rising incidence could be poor hospital hygiene, abuse of antibiotics or rampant self-medication among people. I, therefore, urge the government to take immediate steps to sensitize the masses on the subject of sepsis and undertake studies to estimate the impact of the medical condition. Continued surveillance, effective infection control programmes, rational use of antibiotics and enhanced public awareness can reduce the incidence of sepsis and hospital-acquired infections, improve patient care and help better prioritization of resources.

HON. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, please go to your seats.

...(Interruptions)

HON. SPEAKER: You do not want to discuss anything.

...(Interruptions)

HON. SPEAKER: The House stands adjourned to meet again tomorrow the 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2016 at 1100 a.m.

**12.59 hours**

**The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock**

*on Thursday, December 1, 2016/Agrahayana 10, 1938 (Saka).*

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