

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3640
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH MARCH, 2018**

KIDNEY AILMENTS IN UDDHANAM AND SRIKAKULAM REGIONS OF AP

3640. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry sent a team of specialists from ICMR to Uddhanam region in Srikakulam region of Andhra Pradesh where people are facing with unusually chronic kidney ailments;
- (b) if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether Ministry has decided to set up dialysis centre at Uddhanam region;
- (d) whether similar kidney failures are also reported from Prakasam and Krishna districts of Andhra Pradesh for last many decades and there have been demands to complete Veligonda project which is the only option to stop kidney-related problems; and
- (e) if so, what Ministry has done in coordination with Ministry of Water Resources?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) & (b): Yes. A central team visited the Srikakulam District of Andhra Pradesh to investigate the burden of Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD). However, no single causative aetiology was found by the team.

(c): As informed by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, in Srikakulam District, 5 Dialysis Centres are available at (i) Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Srikakulam, (ii) Area Hospital, Tekkali, (iii) Area Hospital, Palakonda, (iv) Area Hospital, Palasa and (v) Community Health Centre (CHC) Sompeta. 15 Special Mobile Medical Clinics are functioning in Uddhanam Area of Srikakulam District for early detection and management of Chronic Kidney Disease of unknown aetiology (CKDu). King George Hospital(KGH), Visakhapatnam, is the referral centre for chronic kidney patients in Andhra Pradesh.

(d) & (e): As informed by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, incidences of Kidney failures are reported from Prakasam and Krishna Districts of Andhra Pradesh.

Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme(AIBP) etc. under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana(PMKSJ).

A Committee was constituted to review the progress of 149 ongoing Major and Medium Irrigation (MMI) Projects under AIBP as on 01.04.2015 and identify the MMI projects which the States could complete in a time bound manner by December, 2019. Based on the inputs, recommendations and commitments made by the various State Governments, 99 MMI projects were selected as priority projects for funding under PMKSJ-AIBP.

8 Irrigation Projects of Andhra Pradesh have been included in the 99 prioritized projects under PMKSJ-AIBP. Veligonda project has not been proposed by the Government of Andhra Pradesh for inclusion under PMKSJ-AIBP.