

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4140
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD APRIL, 2018**

FREE VIRAL LOAD TESTS

4140. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has launched free viral load tests which will measure the quantity of virus in the body;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the move is likely to benefit 12 lakh people living with HIV/AIDS in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) & (b): Yes.

(c): The state wise number of beneficiaries is at Annexure.

Annexure	
State	Number of beneficiaries
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	109
Andhra Pradesh	175570
Arunachal Pradesh	89
Assam	5798
Bihar	44736
Chandigarh	5742
Chhattisgarh	12013
Delhi	26925
Goa	2851
Gujarat	62371
Haryana	10875
Himachal Pradesh	3930
J&K	2324
Jharkhand	8914
Karnataka	154363
Kerala	12030
Madhya Pradesh	22128
Maharashtra	202147
Manipur	12749
Meghalaya	1768
Mizoram	6871
Mumbai	36501
Nagaland	7135
Odisha	16905
Pondicherry	1192
Punjab	27310
Rajasthan	36639
Sikkim	173
Tamil Nadu	112220
Telangana	72244
Tripura	1163
Uttar Pradesh	66755
Uttarakhand	3553
West Bengal	35320
Total	1191413