

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 94
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH DECEMBER, 2018**

REAPPEARANCE OF MEASLES

94. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI :

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

- (a) whether the once eradicated measles has reportedly reappeared in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the steps taken by Government in this regard during the last three years, Statewise; and
- (c) whether reappearance of measles is a worldwide phenomena and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

- (a): No. Measles disease has not been eradicated from the country and measles cases have continued to be reported from various parts of the country.
- (b): The following steps have been taken by the Government to prevent measles in the last three years :
 1. Under routine immunization two doses of measles containing vaccine (given at 9 - 12 months and 16 - 24 months of age of child) are given across the country.
 2. Mission Indradhanush has been undertaken to improve coverage of routine vaccine including measles containing vaccine.
 3. Measles-Rubella (MR) vaccination campaign which started in phases from Feb 2017 has vaccinated 15.72 crore children in age group of 9 months to less than 15 years across 30 states/UTs (as on 5th December 2018). The state/UT wise detail is given in the **annexure**.
- (c): As per weekly epidemiological record of WHO dated 30th Nov 2018 out of 194 countries in the world, 79 countries have eliminated measles and measles re-appeared in 3 countries. These countries are Russian Federation, Germany and Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

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Annexure

State/UTs wise MR campaign coverage (as on 5th Dec. 2018)

All figure in lakh

S.No.	States	Target	Achievement	Percentage	Remarks
1	Karnataka	160.33	158.45	98.83	Activity Completed
2	Tamil Nadu	176.05	169.53	96.30	
3	Goa	3.20	3.12	97.30	
4	Puducherry	3.04	2.66	87.46	
5	Lakshadweep	0.16	0.12	76.25	
6	Andhra Pradesh	118.54	114.58	96.67	
7	Chandigarh	3.10	3.01	97.01	
8	Daman & Diu	0.58	0.62	107.40	
9	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1.14	1.15	101.39	
10	Telangana	90.01	91.48	101.63	
11	Himachal Pradesh	17.74	18.08	101.88	
12	Kerala	76.55	64.88	84.76	
13	Uttarakhand	28.36	28.76	101.43	
14	Odisha	112.25	110.37	98.33	
15	Arunachal Pradesh	4.38	4.43	101.14	
16	Mizoram	3.24	3.24	100.00	
17	Manipur	8.18	7.93	96.94	
18	Andaman & Nicobar	0.83	0.78	93.53	
19	Punjab	69.64	66.84	95.98	
20	Haryana	74.38	73.64	99.01	
21	Gujarat	151.57	145.60	96.06	
22	Jharkhand	117.35	93.54	79.71	Activity Ongoing
23	Assam	94.56	85.53	90.45	
24	Tripura	9.56	8.90	93.12	
25	Jammu & Kashmir	37.73	36.44	96.58	
26	Meghalaya	13.03	10.36	79.48	
27	Nagaland	4.49	4.39	97.80	
28	Chhattisgarh	77.49	69.33	89.47	
29	Uttar Pradesh	764.03	126.51	16.56	
30	Maharashtra	310.82	67.94	21.86	
	Total	2,532.31	1,572.22	62.09	