

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1400
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.03.2025**

INTRODUCTION OF DEDICATED SCHEME FOR AMR

1400 SHRI S NIRANJAN REDDY:

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

- (a) whether Government plans to introduce a dedicated central scheme for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) containment, with a specific budget allocation for surveillance, healthcare training and research on new antibiotics;
- (b) if not, the reasons for the absence of such a scheme, despite the growing public health threat posed by AMR;
- (c) the steps taken to ensure effective inter-ministerial coordination among relevant ministries to address AMR;
- (d) whether Government plans to establish a dedicated inter-ministerial task force on AMR, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether Government has introduced policies or incentives for pharmaceutical companies to adopt cleaner antibiotic production standards, minimizing environmental contamination?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY
WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) & (b): Ministry of Health & Family Welfare through Centre for Bacterial Disease and Drug Resistance and Antimicrobial Resistance Containment, National Centre for Disease Control is implementing National Programme on AMR Containment. Under the programme representative Medical Colleges across the country are strengthened for AMR surveillance, Antimicrobial consumption (AMC) monitoring and Infection Prevention and Control (IPC). Trainings are also imparted to other medical colleges in States for establishing State AMR surveillance networks.

(c) & (d): An Inter-sectoral Coordination committee to oversee and coordinate policy decisions on AMR has been constituted. The details can be accessed on following link; <https://ncdc.mohfw.gov.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/22411472661632383405.pdf>

(e): The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) has notified effluent and emission discharge standards for pharmaceutical industry.
