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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2062 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2025

DEATH DUE TO COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

2062 SHRI C. VE. SHANMUGAM:

Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether it is a fact that deaths due to communicable diseases is on the rise in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to identify the bottlenecks and patterns of communicable diseases in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

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

(a) & (b) Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (CBHI), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has released National Health Profile (NHP) 2023. The NHP provides details of death due to various reasons including communicable diseases. The same may be accessed at the following link:

https://cbhidghs.mohfw.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/Final_Central%20Bureau%20of%20He alth%20Intelligene%20July%202024.pdf

(c) to (e) Integrated Disease Control Programme (IDSP) is responsible for surveillance of epidemic / communicable diseases in our country. This programme is funded under NHM and has District and State level surveillance units for data collection and response. The programme is mandated with surveillance of 40 plus disease and disease syndromes with an objective to detect early warning signals of these diseases. Early warning signals and outbreaks thus detected are responded through a network of trained Rapid Response Teams and District Public Health Laboratories & State referral labs support diagnosis.

Under National Health Mission (NHM) funds are released to States/UTs under flexible pools on a lump sum basis to provide greater flexibility to States/UTs to utilize the funds as per their felt need and priorities. Financial support is provided to the States/UTs for implementation of these programmes, on the basis of their proposals in Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare provides technical and financial support to States/UTs through various schemes including National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme (NVBDCP), National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP), National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP) and National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme (NVHCP) under the aegis of National Health Mission (NHM) to prevent and control various communicable diseases.