

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2793
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND DECEMBER, 2016**

NATIONAL LEPROSY ERADICATION PROGRAMME

2793. SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

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

- (a) whether a massive door to door campaign was launched by the department under the aegis of National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP) to detect the hidden cases of leprosy in recent past;
- (b) if so, the number of cases reported by this exercise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce measures to avoid under reporting of leprosy cases, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether India is home to 60 per cent of the world's leprosy patients, if so, the number of patients reported during the last three years, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

- (a): Yes. A massive door to door campaign namely, Leprosy Case Detection Campaign (LCDC) was launched by National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP) to detect the hidden cases of leprosy. The above campaign was carried out during March-April, 2016 and September-October, 2016.
- (b): Number of cases reported by this exercise are 31660.
- (c): Yes. In order to reduce the under reporting of leprosy cases, programme has introduced three pronged strategies for early detection of leprosy case in the community, which are as below:
- Leprosy Case Detection Campaign for high endemic districts
 - Focussed Leprosy Campaign for hot spots of low endemic areas
 - Special plan for Case Detection in hard to reach areas.
- (d): Yes. India contributes to approximately 60% of the world's leprosy patient. The number of patients reported during last three years, State/UT- wise is **Annexed**.

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Annexure**`State /UT – wise total No. of New Leprosy Cases for last three years**

S.No.	States	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
1	Andhra Pradesh	7108	4687	4355
2	Arunachal Pradesh	23	32	33
3	Assam	1048	856	781
4	Bihar	18188	16848	16185
5	Chhattisgarh	8519	8847	10440
6	Goa	72	55	136
7	Gujarat	9721	9024	10138
8	Haryana	622	635	672
9	Himachal Pradesh	161	176	162
10	Jharkhand	4021	4873	4432
11	Jammu & Kashmir	175	159	189
12	Karnataka	3466	3314	3065
13	Kerala	782	663	574
14	Madhya Pradesh	6369	6921	6597
15	Maharashtra	16400	16415	15695
16	Manipur	12	17	19
17	Meghalaya	24	25	33
18	Mizoram	30	11	9
19	Nagaland	158	42	67
20	Odisha	10645	8004	10174
21	Punjab	648	620	651
22	Rajasthan	1079	1060	1106
23	Sikkim	18	13	21
24	Tamil Nadu	3810	3604	4925
25	Telangana		2905	2800
26	Tripura	37	47	42
27	Uttar Pradesh	22565	22223	22777
28	Uttarakhand	376	532	382
29	West Bengal	9121	10315	8170
30	A & N Islands	32	25	29
31	Chandigarh	144	173	136
32	D & N Haveli	320	318	425
33	Daman & Diu	4	21	4
34	Delhi	1145	2280	2068
35	Lakshadweep	13	4	0
36	Puducherry	57	41	42
	Total	126913	125785	127334