

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5017  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2016**

**STATE HEALTH DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

**5017. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:**

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

- (a) the names of States where World Health Organization (WHO) financed State Health Development Projects which were started in the year 1996, have been stopped as on date;
- (b) the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of the achievements made under these projects?

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

(a): The World Health Organization (WHO) is not a financing agency and has not financed any State Health Development Projects. Its role is to provide technical assistance and advice in the health sector to the Government of India, and upon request, to its States and Union territories.

Since 1997, WHO has supported the National Polio Surveillance Project (NPSP) both at the union level and in the states. This includes deployment of Surveillance Medical Officers and other support staff to provide technical oversight to Polio eradication and childhood immunization activities. This effort has contributed to eradication of Polio and elimination of Maternal and Neonatal tetanus from India. The NPSP team is currently focusing on sustaining polio eradication as per the polio eradication and end game strategic plan. It has also been supporting strengthening of routine immunization (Universal Immunization Programme) including Operation Indradhanush, introduction of new vaccines and Measles elimination and Rubella/CRS control.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): Does not arise.