

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4464

TO BE ANSWERED ON 29/03/2017

Health Issues from New Currency Notes

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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether new currency notes are a source of infection and danger to health because many of the pathogens on the notes are multi-drug resistant strains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has got this issue examined and if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES

(Y.S. Chowdary)

- (a) and (b) Madam, New currency notes have been introduced recently. Ministry is not aware of any report/study which indicates that new currency notes are source of infection.
- (c) The Ministry is not aware of any such initiative in this area.
