

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1190  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2017**

**SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES**

**1190. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:**

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

- (a) the present prevalence rate of common Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) such as HIV-AIDS, Gonorrhoea, Syphilis, Herpes in the country;
- (b) the number of people detected with STDs during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to create awareness about STDs?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a): The present prevalence rate of HIV in India is 0.25% among adult population. In respect to syphilis prevalence, the prevalence rate is not maintained centrally. However, present seropositivity of syphilis among pregnant women in 2016-17 is 0.10%.

(b): As per data available with National AIDS Control Programme, the number of people detected with HIV/AIDS and other STDs like Syphilis in last 3 years are as below:

	Year		
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
HIV/AIDS	2.23 lakh	2 lakh	1.93 lakh
Other STDs like Syphilis	22.5 lakh	25.1 lakh	28 lakh

(c): Government of India has taken multiple initiatives to create awareness about STDs through multi-media approach of mass media, mid-media and on-ground mobilization and inter-personal communications. 360° media campaigns have been rolled out on 7 thematic areas for increasing awareness, HIV prevention as well as for demand generation of services. National toll-free Helpline 1097 is operational '24 by 7' for 365 days a year in 12 languages. Besides, mobile application has been launched by Government of India for accessing correct information about HIV and AIDS and related services.

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