

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1301  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 2017**

**RESEARCH ON MALARIA AND DENGUE**

**1301. SHRI HARINDER SINGH KHALSA:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that in some countries research has been done to produce anti-dengue and sterile mosquitoes to control malaria and dengue;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any research in this direction has been initiated in our country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken to make use of this research to control the said diseases?

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Monash University, Australia has developed anti-dengue mosquito to control dengue. Another technique has been developed by Oxitec Ltd, UK.

(c) to (e): Yes, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and Monash University, Australia for research on dengue.