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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1866 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH DECEMBER. 2017

VACCINATION IN CGHS CENTRES

1866. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA: SHRI B.V. NAIK:

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

- (a) whether some important vaccines which are essential to protect children from various diseases like chickenpox, rota virus, etc. are not provided in the Government Hospitals and CGHS/PHCs dispensaries in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Karnataka; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to include these vaccinations in the Government hospitals, CGHS and PHCs in the country including Karnataka?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) & (b): Under Universal Immunization Programme, vaccine against Rotavirus is currently provided in Government Hospitals, Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and CGHS dispensaries of nine states (Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Tripura). Vaccine against Chicken Pox is not a part of Universal Immunization Programme.
- (c): Any decision to include vaccines for Chicken Pox in UIP is taken by National Technical Group on Immunization (NTAGI). Once NTAGI takes such as decision, this vaccine is provided in all government hospitals, CGHS dispensaries and PHCs.