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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2527 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

## **NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS**

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

- (a) whether the Government has initiated new research projects through various labs of ICMR and other autonomous institutes to find medical solution for severities due to varied diseases and ailments:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds spent so far in this regard;
- (c) the details of the successful projects done by ICMR and other autonomous institutes in the last three years;
- (d) whether there is any issues in the proper exploitation and execution of the products developed out of the researchers by ICMR and other institutes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

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

- (a): Yes.
- (b): 903 new research projects have been initiated through various labs of ICMR and medical colleges and universities, related to various diseases and ailments with funding of Rs.127.16 Crores during 2014-17. Besides this, AIIMS spends upto 5.0 Crore every year on various intramural research projects and funded extramural research projects for Rs.71 Crore during 2014-15 and for Rs.72 Crore during 2015-16.
- (c): Following ICMR technologies have been launched:
  - Diagnostic kit for Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever (CCHF) Sheep and Goat.
  - Diagnostic kit for Crimean- Congo haemorrhagic fever (CCHF) in Cattle.
  - Diagnostic kit for Japanese encephalitis virus (JEV) from Mosquito.
  - AV Magnivisualizer for detecting cancer lesions.
- (d) & (e): To get proper execution of the products developed out of the researches by Indian Council of Medical Research's institutes, efforts are made for commercialisation of ICMR technologies under the programme "Health Technology Acceleration & Commercialization (HTAC)" through collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).