

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3472  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018**

**GONORRHOEA**

**3472. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:**

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

- (a) whether as per the latest studies published in an International Journal PLOS, about 78 million people globally are infected with Gonorrhoea each year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with number of persons reported to be infected with Gonorrhoea and other STDs in the country; and
- (c) the necessary steps taken by the Government in this regard?

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

- (a): Yes.
- (b): As per data available with National AIDS Control Programme, the number of people detected with Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) including Gonorrhoea, in 2017-18(till Feb.) is 23.39 lakh due to unprotected sexual behavior.
- (c): National AIDS Control Organization through 1160 designated sexually Transmitted Infections / Reproductive Tract Infections (STI/RTI) clinics, located at government health facilities, provides free standardized STI/RTI free color coded syndromic drug kits. Government has taken initiatives like creating awareness mainstreaming management across various health departments, systematic monitoring & evaluation about STIs including Gonorrhoea through mass media, mid-media and on-ground mobilization and inter-personal communications.

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