

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6500  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2018**

**DELHI END TB SUMMIT**

**6500. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently adopted 'Delhi End TB Summit' Statement of Action;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it commands increased attention, investments and efforts directed at tackling region's major burden of TB;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has empowered national initiative that monitors progress in reaching end TB targets; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): Yes.

(b): The Government has recently adopted "Delhi End TB Summit" Statement of Action which was made by Member States of WHO South East Asia Region at the Delhi End TB Summit held on 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 in New Delhi. It states the firm intent of the member countries to implement a response that is demonstrably adequate for ending TB by 2030 and meeting the milestones for 2020 by collectively reaching out to the missing 2 million TB cases and 1,50,000 multi-drug resistant cases.

(c): Yes.

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(d): The Statement of Action commands increased attention, investments and efforts directed at tackling the burden of TB in Member States. It calls for unanimous commitment and prioritizing following actions in the coming year:

- LEAD implementation of national TB responses in countries.
- INCREASE budgetary and human resource allocations by Governments and their global, domestic and other partners.
- ENABLE the best possible TB care to each and every person, including migrants, the aged and other high risk populations, living with any form of TB, including drug-resistant TB and TB/HIV co-infections.
- SUPPLEMENT medical care for TB with social and financial protection in a holistic manner.

(e): Yes.

(f): The Ministry has developed National Strategic Plan (2017-2025) (NSP) with a goal of ending TB by 2025. The details of steps taken by the Government under the current NSP (2017-25) are as under:-

- early diagnosis of all the TB patients, prompt treatment with quality assured drugs and treatment regimens
- suitable patient support systems to promote adherence.
- engaging with the patients seeking care in the private sector.
- prevention strategies including active case finding and
- contact tracing in high risk / vulnerable population
- airborne infection control in healthcare settings
- multi-sectoral response to address social determinants.