

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1863  
ANSWERED ON 30.07.2018**

**INFECTION IN MEDICAL TOURISTS**

**1863. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:**

**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the country's medical tourism market may suffer a setback due to the emergence of Carbapenem-resistant enterobacteria infections in medical tourists from the USA recently;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has taken proper prophylactic and preventive measures in this regard to protect/safeguard the tourism industry; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(SHRI K.J. ALPHONS)**

**(a) and (b):** The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has informed that emergence of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) including Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteria, is a growing challenge not only in India but globally. However, no specific information regarding setback to medical tourism in this regard has been reported to this Ministry so far.

**(c) and (d):** Government of India has launched a National Programme on Containment of Anti- Microbial Resistance (AMR) in the country. The Programme aims to generate data on Anti-Microbial Resistance Patterns and to recommend and coordinate various actions to prevent the emergence of AMR in the Country.

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