

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4008
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH AUGUST, 2018**

DEADLY VIRAL DISEASES

4008. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

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

- (a) whether the shared India-China region is witnessing emergence of deadly viral diseases;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has identified “emerging diseases” across the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the list of such identified diseases;
- (e) whether the Government is planning to improvise a surveillance system in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): No emergence of deadly viral diseases has been witnessed in the shared India-China region.

(c) & (d): The following emerging diseases have been identified in the country: Anthrax, Brucellosis, Crimean Congo Haemorrhagic Fever, Kyasanur Forest Disease, Leptospirosis, Nipah virus Disease, Scrub Typhus and Zika Virus Disease.

(e) & (f): Government of India is implementing the Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) in all States/UTs with the objective to detect and respond to disease outbreaks due to epidemic prone diseases. To prevent the spread of such outbreaks, under IDSP States/UTs are provided with additional manpower, training of identified Rapid Response Team (RRT) members for outbreak investigations, strengthening of laboratories for detection of epidemic prone diseases, IT equipment for data entry, analysis and data transfer, and provision of funds for operationalization of the programme.

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