

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2966
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH DECEMBER, 2018**

THYROID DYSFUNCTION

**2966. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:**

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

- (a) whether the number of thyroid dysfunction cases have been risen sharply in the country particularly in Delhi during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any study in this regard and if so, the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has made any scheme to prevent thyroid disorder; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (c): The Nutrition & IDD Cell has no information about thyroid dysfunctions cases in the country and any study by Government in this regard.

(d) & (e): Thyroid disorders comprise spectrum of diseases including Iodine Deficiency Disorders.

In order to prevent & control Iodine Deficiency Disorders (IDD), the Government of India is implementing National Iodine Deficiency Disorders Control Programme (NIDDCP) in the country for entire population. For effective implementation of programme, financial assistance is provided to all States/UTs for establishment of Iodine Deficiency Disorders Control Cell and IDD Monitoring Laboratory, conducting district IDD Surveys/ Resurveys, health education and publicity to create awareness about IDD, promoting consumption of adequately iodated salt and monitoring of Iodine content of salt through salt testing kit at the Household/Community level. The quality of iodated salt is being monitored at production and distribution level under the programme.