

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1055
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH FEBRUARY, 2019**

PRICE OF POLIO VACCINE

1055. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether there has been a rise in the price of the Polio Vaccine and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has sought funds to the tune of Rs. 100 crore from an international donor to bear this cost hike and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the availability of the vaccine would be affected in case the Government doesn't receive the funds and if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a): Yes, there has been rise in the quoted price of Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV) through domestic tender process. Against the last procurement price of Rs. 95.52 per dose of IPV in the year 2016 quote of Rs. 172.59 per dose of IPV was received which is 80% higher than last procurement price.
- (b): Yes. India being Gavi eligible country Government has sought support from Gavi for IPV to the extent of 50% of annual requirement of IPV for next three years as commodity assistance to India.
- (c): Question does not arise as the Gavi board has already approved IPV support to India as commodity assistance.