

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2743  
TO BE ANSWER ON 04.08.2023**

**“HEPATITIS B”**

**2743: SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA**

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

- (a) Whether the Government has taken/ proposed to take any steps for the treatment of deadly diseases like Hepatitis B; and
- (b) If so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY  
WELFARE  
(PROF. S.P. SINGH BAGHEL)**

(a) & (b)

The Government has launched National Viral Hepatitis Control Program (NVHCP) in 2018, under the aegis of National Health Mission (NHM), offering diagnostic and treatment services for Hepatitis C, A and E. The scope of the program was expanded to include diagnosis and management of Hepatitis B in 2019. Hepatitis B is a vaccine preventable diseases and the program provides for administration of Hepatitis B birth dose vaccine & Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin to the babies born to Hepatitis B positive mothers.

The NVHCP envisages prevention of Viral Hepatitis through awarness generation and behaviour change communication. All diagnostic and treatment services are provided free of cost under NVHCP at the designated Government health facilities.

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