

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2640
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06TH MARCH, 2020**

CORONAVIRUS MEDICINE

2640. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to provide medical or any other assistance to China, which is very badly affected due to coronavirus, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has identified any suitable medicine to prevent coronavirus;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has issued any guidelines/notification/ban on import from Coronavirus affected countries; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)**

(a): Government of India mounted a relief assistance flight to Wuhan, China on 26.02.2020 which brought over 15 tons of medical assistance comprising masks, gloves and other emergency medical equipment for Chinese healthcare professionals.

(b) & (c): There is no specific treatment or vaccine for Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Treatment is supportive. Guidelines on Clinical Management of severe respiratory illness (SARI) in suspect / confirmed COVID-19 cases, Surveillance for human infection with COVID-19, Infection Prevention and Control in healthcare facilities, etc. have been placed in public domain on the website of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare at weblink <https://mohfw.gov.in/node/4904>.

(d) & (e): No such proposal is under consideration in the Ministry.