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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3372 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH MARCH, 2020

SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS THROUGH IMPORTS

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

- (a) whether coronavirus can spread through articles/ items imported from China, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to check the spread of the virus through the articles/items/goods imported through the borders with China and through neighbouring countries like Myanmar; and
- (c) whether any cases of coronavirus have been detected in Northeast parts of the country and if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a) & (b): No evidence has been found that Novel Coronavirus (COVID 19) can spread through articles/items imported from other countries including China.
- (c): No.