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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3403 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH MARCH, 2020

TB PREVALENCE DATA

3403. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

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

- (a) whether the Government has done any survey in the last five years to get TB prevalence data at the national and the State level;
- (b) if so, details thereof including the States/UTs which have a high incidence of TB;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time elapsed since the last TB prevalence survey was held; and
- (d) the manner in which the action plan to eliminate TB by 2025 is being implemented without having any current data on TB prevalence in the country?

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

(a) to (d): Central TB Division (CTD) and Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) is conducting the National TB Prevalence Survey to get data on TB prevalence at National and state level, including all States and UTs except Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. This survey was launched on 25th Sept 2019 and results are expected by March 2021.

Last National TB Prevalence survey was conducted 60 years before, that is, between 1956-59.

Action plan to End TB by 2025 is being implemented based on four components of Prevent, Detect, Treat and Build. Estimates of the burden of disease caused by TB are measured in terms of incidence, prevalence and mortality annually by WHO using information gathered through surveillance systems (case notifications and death registrations). Based on these estimates and notification from States programme activities are being implemented.