

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1052  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020**

**COVID CASES AND SERO SURVEY STATUS**

**1052. SHRIMATI MALA ROY:**

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

- (a) whether India has one of the lowest Corona infection death cases per million population in the world but among the highest in South East Asia;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons for the effect of the pandemic being lower than western countries but higher than South East Asian countries;
- (d) whether the said results have not been published, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) and (b) Yes; India has one of the lowest cases per million population. It is 3445 for India as compared to 19295 for USA, 20146 for Brazil, 7283 for Russian Federation and 10929 for South Africa.

However, cases per million population for India is high as compared to other countries in South East Asia

(c) The low case fatality in India can be attributed to early case detection through community-based surveillance, containment measures including strict perimeter control, house-to-house case search & follow-up with monitoring of oxygen saturation, early referral to COVID treatment facilities and adequate case management.

(d) & (e) No such studies have been published. The epidemiology, agent-host interaction, and socio-cultural, racial & environmental factors are being researched.