

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3974
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH March, 2021**

DISEASES DECLARED AS ELIMINATED

3974. DR. KRISHNA PAL SINGH YADAV:

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

- (a) the details of the diseases which have been declared to be eliminated in the entire country including Madhya Pradesh during the last five years;
- (b) whether the diseases declared to be eliminated are likely to recur, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the mechanism developed by the Government to monitor and create awareness about the diseases declared to be eliminated in the country, State/UT/district-wise?

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

(a) & (b): Elimination refers to bringing a disease to such a low level that it does not remain public health problem but persist at low level in the community

During the last five years Malaria, KalaAzar, Lymphatic Filariasis, Tuberculosis and Leprosy are the five diseases which have been declared to be eliminated in the entire country including Madhya Pradesh.

However, if the control and elimination efforts do not continue at the same pressure, then cases can recur.

(c): As per Constitutional provisions, 'Health' is a State subject. However, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) provides financial and technical assistance to States/ Union Territories (UTs) under the National Health Mission for strengthening of Primary and Secondary health care facilities to effectively respond to the health care needs.

Under MoHFW the National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP) is the programme for prevention and control of vector-borne diseases like Malaria, Kala Azar, Japanese Encephalitis(JE), Chikungunya and Lymphatic Filariasis, etc. Creating awareness through Information Education Communication (IEC) and Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) are part of elimination programs for individual diseases.