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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1791 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th FEBRUARY 2022

VACCINE PREVENTABLE DISEASE

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that the vaccine preventable disease (VPD) surveillance system and the capacity to record, report and analyse data on the disease burden and immunisation coverage need to be strengthened;
- (b) if so, the initiatives taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (c) Government is aware of the importance of vaccine preventable disease (VPD) surveillance system and has strengthened the capacity to record, report and analyse data on the disease burden and immunisation coverage. At present, VPD surveillance system includes Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) surveillance for Polio and Measles and Rubella (MR) surveillance, functioning across the country and Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus (DPT) surveillance expanded in a phase manner. The surveillance is supported by dedicated laboratories under surveillance network. Real time Routine immunization coverage data is recorded and analyzed through Health Management Information System (HMIS) portal.
