

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2117
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2022**

“INCREASE IN COVID-19 DEATH”

**† 2117. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:
SHRI A. RAJA:**

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

- (a) whether there is increase in death cases due to monkey pox as well as COVID-19 in recent months;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the hospitals have been alerted for keeping adequate number of beds, oxygen and medicines ready in view of spike in cases of COVID-19 during recent months;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether passengers coming from abroad have been put to PCR test at the international airports and isolation of suspected cases;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) to (g): As reported by States/UTs, a total of 4 confirmed cases of Monkeypox disease (three cases from Kerala and one case from Delhi) have been reported in the country as on 27th July, 2022, No death due to Monkeypox disease has been reported in the country.

There is an increasing trend in the trajectory of COVID-19 cases in certain States/UTs, since May, 2022. As on 27th July 2022, as reported by States/UTs, a total of 5,26,167 deaths due to COVID-19 have been reported in the country.

As per the current guidelines for International arrivals issued on 10th February 2022, international travellers to India are required to either upload a negative RT-PCR test report or upload a COVID-19 vaccination completion certificate at Air Suvidha Portal. A sub-section (2% of the total passengers in the flight) are required to undergo random post-arrival testing on arrival in India.

Union Health Ministry provides required technical support to all States/UTs and has advised all the States /UTs for requisite public health actions (including hospital preparedness) for management of COVID-19.

Union Ministry of Health provides requisite support to States/UTs to enhance preparedness and response capacities against COVID-19. Funding support has been provided to States/UTs for health system strengthening to meet any exigency due to resurgence of cases in the country through National Health Mission, State Disaster Response Funds (SDRF), Emergency COVID-19 Response and Preparedness packages I & II and PM - Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission.
