

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1868  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024**

**RISING CASES OF HEPATITIS B**

**1868: SHRI ANTO ANTONY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note that the death cases due to Hepatitis B are increasing in the country every year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of death cases reported in the country during the last ten years, year and State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note that the cases of Hepatitis- B are increasing in the State of Kerala, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to depute a team to visit the said State and conduct a study in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY  
WELFARE  
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) & (b) Hepatitis B is a viral infection that causes chronic infection of the liver and can result in severe complications such as Cirrhosis and Hepatocellular Carcinoma, which can progress to death. The details of State/ UT wise number of death cases reported in the country due to hepatitis B is attached in **Annexure**.

(c) to (e) Activities relating to Viral Hepatitis are performed through a concerted and coordinated efforts of the Central and State Government through instrument of National Health Mission (NHM). The National Viral Hepatitis Programme (NVHCP) under the umbrella scheme of NHM adopted various preventive strategies against Hepatitis B across the country including the State of Kerala. As reported by the State of Kerala, 32 treatment centers across 14 districts are operational, these include 3 Model Treatment Centres under the National Viral Hepatitis Control Program. The major strategies adopted are as follows: -

- i. Universal immunization of children including HBV-0 dose followed by 3 dose primary schedule as part of the pentavalent vaccine.

- ii. Universal screening of antenatal women in order to take adequate precautions against vertical transmission, screening of high risk groups and general population, screening of all blood donors for HBV, screening of all individuals who undergo surgical procedures etc.
- iii. Vaccination of all healthcare personnel.
- iv. Information, Education and Communication activities.

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Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1868 for answer on 06.12.2024.

**State/UT wise death due to Hepatitis -B**

| S. No | Name of State / UTs       | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 (upto Sept. 2024) |
|-------|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| 1     | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 2     | Andhra Pradesh            | 3       | 12      | 10      | 5       | 5       | 14      | 8                         |
| 3     | Arunachal Pradesh         | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 4     | Assam                     | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 2                         |
| 5     | Bihar                     | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 6     | Chandigarh                | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 7     | Chhattisgarh              | 7       | 12      | 10      | 15      | 4       | 9       | 2                         |
| 8     | Delhi                     | 93      | 38      | 24      | 6       | 64      | 0       | 0                         |
| 9     | DNH & DD                  | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 10    | Goa                       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 11    | Gujarat                   | 14      | 17      | 20      | 81      | 104     | 64      | 16                        |
| 12    | Haryana                   | 5       | 2       | 2       | 4       | 8       | 6       | 4                         |
| 13    | Himachal Pradesh          | 0       | 1       | 1       | 11      | 9       | 11      | 6                         |
| 14    | Jammu & Kashmir           | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 15    | Jharkhand                 | 0       | 0       | 0       | 5       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 16    | Karnataka                 | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 17    | Kerala                    | 6       | 4       | 3       | 1       | 8       | 10      | 2                         |
| 18    | Ladakh                    | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 3       | 2       | 2                         |
| 19    | Lakshadweep               | 1       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 3       | 1       | 1                         |
| 20    | Madhya Pradesh            | 0       | 0       | 5       | 38      | 93      | 247     | 50                        |
| 21    | Maharashtra               | 4       | 3       | 5       | 23      | 79      | 93      | 60                        |
| 22    | Manipur                   | 0       | 0       | 0       | 4       | 2       | 5       |                           |
| 23    | Meghalaya                 | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0       | 6       | 3       | 6                         |
| 24    | Mizoram                   | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 25    | Nagaland                  | 0       | 0       | 0       | 12      | 3       | 15      | 15                        |
| 26    | Odisha                    | 10      | 6       | 11      | 8       | 0       | 7       | 1                         |
| 27    | Puducherry                | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 28    | Punjab                    | 0       | 0       | 0       | 3       | 0       | 10      | 3                         |
| 29    | Rajasthan                 | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 176     | 49                        |
| 30    | Sikkim                    | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 31    | Tamil Nadu                | 13      | 21      | 11      | 22      | 42      | 38      | 23                        |
| 32    | Telangana                 | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0                         |
| 33    | Tripura                   | 1       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 0                         |
| 34    | Uttar Pradesh             | 25      | 27      | 26      | 76      | 41      | 91      | 63                        |
| 35    | Uttarakhand               | 2       | 1       | 1       | 1       | 2       | 2       | 2                         |
| 36    | West Bengal               | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 89      | 54                        |

Source: NVHCP- Based on inputs received from States.

Note- Data available from 2018 onwards