

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1041
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2025**

DEATH DUE TO RABIES

**1041 ADV DEAN KURIAKOSE,;
DR. PRABHA MALLIKARJUN:**

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

- (a) the total number of people who have died due to Rabies during the last five years in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the reasons for increase in rabies cases and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any precautionary measures to reduce such incidents and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is aware of the number of anti-rabies vaccine provided and the progress, present status of National Action Plan for Dog Mediated Rabies Elimination (NAPRE) scheme and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY
WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (d): National Centre for Disease Control(NCDC) has launched the National Rabies Control Programme (NRCP) for prevention and control of Rabies. The strategies of National Rabies Control Programme are to conduct training on appropriate animal bite management, prevention and control of Rabies, surveillance and intersectoral coordination, strengthening surveillance of Animal Bites, provision of procurement of Anti-Rabies Vaccine for animal bite victims through the National Free Drug Initiative and Information, Education & Communication (IEC) activities to create awareness.

Further, to effectively control Rabies, “National Action Plan For Dog Mediated Rabies Elimination (NAPRE)” has been launched by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare alongwith Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India. The details about present status of implementation of activities envisaged under NAPRE can be seen at

-<https://rabiesfreeindia.mohfw.gov.in/resources/uploads/PageContentPdf/169391359514.pdf>

As per the information received from States/UTs through NRCP monthly reporting, total **1.33 crore vials of Anti-Rabies vaccines** had been procured by 36 States/UTs in year 2024, wherein **1.26 crore vials** were utilized in the same year.
