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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2136 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2025

PROGRAMMES TO COMBAT NIPAH VIRUS

2136 SHRI K C VENUGOPAL : ADV DEAN KURIAKOSE:

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

- (a) whether any programmes/schemes are currently supported by the Union Government to mitigate the threat of emerging diseases like Nipah Virus and One Health programme in the country including Kerala and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the funds allocated and expenditure to such programmes/schemes for setting up infrastructure and implementation of programmes aimed at improving the surveillance of viral disease and One Health programmes during the last five years, year-wise?

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

(a) & (b): The Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) under National Health Mission (NHM) is implemented in all 36 States/UTs through Central, State and District level Surveillance Units for surveillance of 50 plus epidemic prone diseases. Various outbreaks of Nipah virus have been detected and responded under IDSP. In India, Nipah outbreaks have been reported in West Bengal in the years 2001 & 2007 and in Kerala in 2018, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

The National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare is implementing the National One Health Programme for Prevention and Control of Zoonotic Diseases (NOHP-PCZ) to strengthen prevention, detection, and response capacities for zoonotic diseases in India, including Nipah Virus Disease (NiV).

Year-wise details of total fund allocation and expenditure for setting up infrastructure and implementation of programmes aimed at improving the surveillance of various diseases including viral diseases under NHM may be accessed at following link:

https://nhm.gov.in/index1.php?lang=1&level=1&sublinkid=1377&lid=744.

Year-wise fund allocation and expenditure under National One Health Programme for Prevention and Control of Zoonotic Diseases (NOHP-PCZ) is as under:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Budget	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Allocated	340	284	1,494	1,511	1,573
Expenditure	243	261	993	664	1,017
