

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3293
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2015**

NATIONAL DE-WORMING PROGRAMME

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched any de-worming project in the country, if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned, released and utilised thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the time by which the goals under the said project are proposed to be achieved; and
- (c) the other steps taken by the Government to supplement the above mentioned project?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a): Yes, Government of India had launched National Deworming Day on 10 February, 2015 in 11 States/UT of India, namely Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Haryana, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Tripura.

A total of 8.98 crore children between ages of 1 – 19 years received deworming tablet (Albendazole) through the platform of schools and anganwadi centres during the National Deworming Day with 85 percent coverage.

A total of Rs 38.37 crore and Rs 49.29 crore were allocated to States and UTs for procurement of Albendazole tablets for FY 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively. The State/UT wise details are annexed.

(b): The expected goal is to maintain coverage of more than 75% of school children with Albendazole, till Soil Transmitted Helminths (STH) ceases to become public health problem.

(c): The de-worming program is accompanied by awareness generation activities, like Information, Education and Communication (IEC) strategies focusing on sanitation, hygiene and use of clean drinking water etc., besides administration of deworming drug.

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Annexure
(Rs in Lakh)

S.No.	States/UTs	2014-15	2015-16
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1.13	1.13
2	Andhra Pradesh	150	187.31
3	Arunachal Pradesh	52.63	4.56
4	Assam	151	276.2
5	Bihar	540.76	1230.45
6	Chandigarh	0	0
7	Chattisgarh	140.4	55.63
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	4.77	0
9	Daman & Diu	0.64	0.9
10	Delhi	32.25	0
11	Goa	10.15	14.12
12	Gujarat	166.23	350.36
13	Haryana	113.38	78.97
14	Himachal Pradesh	9.48	44.03
15	Jammu Kashmir	51.81	0
16	Jharkhand	207.43	295.72
17	Karnataka	287.98	215.3
18	Kerala	210.88	30
19	Lakshadweep	0.68	0.74
20	Madhya Pradesh	262.97	70.76
21	Maharashtra	92.27	433.85
22	Manipur	19.68	0
23	Meghalaya	22.65	7.34
24	Mizoram	25.94	6.21
25	Nagaland	9	1.33
26	Odisha	139.8	0
27	Puducherry	6.83	6.83
28	Punjab	27.28	47.85
29	Rajasthan	77.03	298.26
30	Sikkim	5.15	4.85
31	Tamil Nadu	107.04	0
32	Telangana	NA	85.37
33	Tripura	25.56	25.78
34	Uttar Pradesh	748.42	851.19
35	Uttarakhand	38.24	62.67
36	West bengal	97.6	241.67
	TOTAL	3837.06	4929.38