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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2082 TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH MAY, 2016

FAILURE TO DEVELOP NEW ANTIBIOTICS

2082. SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

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

- (a) whether no new antibiotics developed in the country since decades;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether rural deaths attributed to drug resistance every year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

- (a) & (b): As communicated by Drug Controller General of India (DCGI), Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) has approved three antibiotics in last ten years.
- (c) & (d): National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has informed that antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is emerging as major public health challenge in both rural and urban population and it does contribute to increased morbidity and mortality among human population.

However, no such data is available for last three years.

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