

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2125
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2016**

BRAIN MEMBRANE

2125. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

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

- (a) whether the cases of damage of brain membrane among the children have come to light in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to check said diseases?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

(a) to (c): This question pertains to diseases of meninges, mostly meningitis. No data on such specific conditions is maintained at the national level. However, Government of India is implementing Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) in all States/UTs with the objective to detect and respond to disease outbreaks due to epidemic prone diseases including meningitis. Weekly data on morbidity for epidemic prone diseases is collected and analysed to detect early rising phase of disease outbreaks, which is reported and responded to by trained Districts/States Rapid Response Teams (RRT).

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