

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3255
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH AUGUST, 2016**

INDIA US COOPERATION IN HEALTH SECTOR

3255. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of setting up of four working groups under Indo-US Health Initiatives and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the monetary and medical aid extended through the above Indo-US cooperation along with the MoU signed in this regard during the last three years and the current year?

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

(a): The following four Working Groups have been constituted under Indo-US Health Initiatives, which was launched in May 2010:

- 1) Non-Communicable Diseases
- 2) Infectious Diseases
- 3) Maternal and Child Health
- 4) Strengthening Health System and Services

A Fifth Working Group was added during 2013-14, i.e.

- 5) Human Resources for Health.

The Health Initiative was subsumed into a US-India Health Dialogue, which was held in September 2015 at Washington DC, USA

(b): The support extended by USAID in the last three years in respect of National Aids Control Organization (NACO) is given in the table below:

2013-14 (USD in Mn)	2014-15 (USD in Mn)	2015-16 (USD in Mn)
22.49	14.73	10.31

Contd.....

The following four MoUs/Statement of Intent/ Letter of Intent pertaining to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, were signed with USA during the last three years:

(1) An MoU between Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Department of Health Research and Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), USA was signed on 25 June, 2015 in New Delhi for cooperation in Environment and Occupational Health and Injury Prevention and Control.

(2) An MoU between the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, USA and National Cancer Institute of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences and Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Department of Health Research and Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, was signed on 25 June 2015 for cooperation on Cancer Research, Prevention, Control and Management.

(3) Letter of Intent between the Indian Council of Medical Research, Department of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, The Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services of USA on Antimicrobial Resistance Research was signed on 25 June, 2015.

(4) A Statement of Intent between Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, and the US Food and Drug Administration was signed on 10 February 2014 to promote collaborative engagement, to facilitate information sharing, etc.

.....