

Un-starred Question

Total Number of Patients of Hepatitis B and C

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Will the Health Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of patients suffered from the disease of Hepatitis B and C from April, 2022 to November, 2023 in Assandh Assembly Constituency;

(b) the details of the action taken by the Health Department for the patients suffering from abovesaid disease; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to prevent the abovesaid disease in future togetherwith the complete details thereof?

Anil Vij, Health Minister, Haryana

(a) 51 patients suffered from Hepatitis B and 395 patients suffered from Hepatitis C (i.e found Anti HCV anti-body positive) from April, 2022 to November, 2023 in Assandh Assembly Constituency.

(b) Out of above mentioned patients, 15 patients were found eligible for Hepatitis B treatment and 221 patients were found eligible for Hepatitis C treatment as per National Guidelines for management of Viral Hepatitis; all these eligible patients were put on treatment by Health Department.

Further, for the patients suffering from Hepatitis B & C, free diagnostics and treatment is being provided in all districts of state under National Viral Hepatitis Control Program at designated Treatment Centers.

(c) Following steps have been taken to prevent the Hepatitis B & C disease in future.

- i. Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities regarding prevention of Hepatitis B & C are being carried out.
- ii. Free Hepatitis B & C screening is being done for High Risk Group population [(i.e. People Who Inject Drugs (PWIDs), Commercial Sex Workers, People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV), Prison inmates etc.)] and during special camps organized by Health Department.
- iii. Free Hepatitis B screening of pregnant women during Antenatal Check-up.
- iv. Free Hepatitis B & C screening in all State Govt. health facilities upto PHC level.
- v. Free confirmatory diagnosis (viral load testing) for all persons found Hepatitis B & C positive during screening.
- vi. Free administration of Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin to the new born children of Hepatitis B positive pregnant women to prevent mother to child transmission of Hepatitis B.
- vii. Free Hepatitis B vaccination of all children, all Health Care Workers of State Govt. health facilities and High Risk Group population [(i.e. People Who Inject Drugs (PWIDs), Commercial Sex Workers, People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV) etc.)] is being done.