

**Lok Sabha Parliamentary Q & A on Organ Donation &  
Transplantation**

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 3959  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.05.2006**

**LIVER TRANSPLANTATION**

**3959. SHRI VIJAY KRISHNA**

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

- (a) whether India is lagging far behind from other advanced countries in the field of liver transplantation;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to formulate a special action plan to make the facility of liver transplantation accessible to the common people; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE  
(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

- (a) Yes Sir. As reported by ICMR , well developed facilities for liver transplantation are inadequate in India where at least two lakh people die annually from liver failure.
- (b) & (c) The Government is in the process of consulting all stake holders before arriving at a plan for encouraging cadaver organ retrieval (that would include liver retrieval also).