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You may be aware that to measure the progress and impact of a programme and to further guide the interventions related to the services, a surveillance system plays an important role.

Presently, in the context of vaccine preventable diseases (VPD), multiple surveillance systems exist in the country such as Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) under National Centre for Disease Control, WHO supported lab based AFP/measles surveillance system and Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (CBHI) that give information about various vaccine preventable diseases. Although these surveillance systems have been providing data on a regular basis, the data generated has shown discrepancies in the past which raises concern. In order to minimise this discrepancy, it is requested that the following actions are taken in your States/UTs:

- 1) Weekly joint review meetings between District Immunization Officer (DIO) and District Surveillance Officer (DSO), IDSP to share information and data on VPDs at the district level, so that the information can be disseminated at higher level.
- 2) District Surveillance Officer to share outbreak information with the Immunization Division for joint investigation, as soon as he receives any such information, enabling timely investigation of the cases.

You are, therefore, requested to intimate the concerned officials in this regard so that steps are taken in this direction with immediate effect.

Yours sincerely,


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1. Principal Secretary (Health) of all the States/UTs.
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