## T-22020/06/2005-CC&V-Vol3/pt.4 Government of India Ministry of health & Family Welfare \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi Date: 20 May, 2014

To.

Shri Subhash Ch. Das
Additional chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
Health & Family welfare Department
Government of Assam, CM block-3
Assam secretariat, Dispur Guwahati-781006

Subject: Checklist for strengthening routine immunization and assessment of state and district preparedness for pentavalent vaccine introduction

Sir,

Pentavalent vaccine expansion is planned in your state as per your request. In this context GOI has prepared a checklist for strengthening routine immunization, which will also be used for assessing state and district preparedness for pentavalent vaccine introduction (Copy enclosed).

The checklist will prove useful for the state and district programme managers of your state in not only assessing the present status of routine immunization, but also to observe their preparedness to introduce the new vaccine & to identify the key areas that requires strengthening prior to the introduction. I am also enclosing a document with key findings from post introduction evaluation (PIE) of pentavalent vaccine for six states conducted in 2014 for your information.

It will be highly appreciated if this checklist is filled by state/districts programme managers & submitted to this ministry by  $15^{th}$  June 2014 after being validated by DG/MD-NHM at state level & DM/CMO at district level.

Yours Faithfully

Dr Rakesh Kumar JS (RCH)

Enclosed as above.

Copy to:

- 1. MD-NHM (Government of Assam)
- 2. Dr. Sunil Bahl, Deputy Project Manager-WHO India -NPSP
- 3. Dr. Genevieve Begkoyian, Chief Health section, UNICEF-India.