

## Written Response on Number of Meningococcal Meningitis diseases

**121/2018**     **Hon. Anare Vadei to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister inform the House on the number of cases of Meningococcal Meningitis disease affected patients recorded in Fiji as at 31 March 2018 and the breakdown of the same by district for the last 10 years.**

**MADAM SPEAKER,**

The Ministry do not have the break down for the last 10 years. But we do have the breakdown for the last 2 years that is 2016 to February 2018 as stated herewith;

**2016 to February 2018**

<b>Division/ sub-division</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>Central</b>	<b>37</b>
Naitasiri	2
Rewa	9
Suva	21
Tailevu	4
<b>Eastern</b>	<b>9</b>
Kadavu	1
Lomaiviti	8
<b>Northern</b>	<b>18</b>
Cakaudrove	2
Macuata	15
Taveuni	1
<b>Western</b>	<b>25</b>
Ba	1
Lautoka/Yasawa	11
Nadi	6
Nadroga	5

Rakiraki	2
<b>Unknown</b>	<b>2</b>

**MADAM SPEAKER,**

There have been 46 cases from January 1<sup>st</sup> to April 12<sup>th</sup> 2018. Of these, 22 cases are laboratory confirmed, and 24 are either suspected or probable cases. The current national incidence for 2018 is 5.2 per 100,000 population. The Central Division has the highest incidence of 7.1 per 100,000 (27 cases) followed by Western at 4.7/100,000 (16 cases) Eastern at 2.6/100,000 (1 case) and Northern at 1.5/100,000 (2 cases).

**THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.**