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## Children eligible for JE vaccine SA 14-14-2 (LJEV)

Further to General circular No. 01-20-2010 dated 09.06.2010 and the decision taken at the recently concluded Regional Epidemiologists' Quarterly Review conference held in August, 2012, it has been decided to revise the eligibility for Live Japanese encephalitis vaccination.

Due to the limited availability of stocks of live JE vaccine, the above circular indicated the Live JE vaccination only to the children born in 2007-2008 and thereafter, AND those who have never been vaccinated with a single dose of Killed JE vaccine.

Therefore, the children born after 2007 and who have received <u>only</u> one, two or three doses, without completing the fourth dose of Killed JE vaccine, are eligible for immunization with the single dose of Live JE vaccine which would provide them with protection against Japanese Encephalitis.

Please bring the contents of this circular to the notice of all concerned in your district and arrange to implement the programme accordingly.

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