

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2730
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PATHOLOGISTS AND MACROBOILISTS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Conference of Pathologists and Macroboilists named APCON 2000 was held in the third week of November, 2000 in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details of the matters discussed in the said Conference alongwith the outcome thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (d) whether there is shortage of modern gadgets/facilities in Government hospitals like CT Scan;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (f) the number of patients waiting CT Scan in Safdarjung Hospital as on date;
- (g) whether pathological tests in Government hospitals carry a question mark on their reliability, accuracy and many patients die because of that; and
- (h) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

- (a): Yes, Sir. A conference of Pahtologists and Microbiologists named APCON 2000 was held in the third week of November, 2000 in Delhi.
- (b): The following topics were discussed:-
 - (i) Continuous medical education which included the Symposium on Thalasaemia and Update on Ancillary Technique including Polymerase Chain Reaction, Confocal Laser Scanning Microsopy, Flow Cytometry and Electron Microscopy.
 - (ii) Workshops conducted on Blood Gases Analysis, Application on Automatic Haematology Analysis and Electrophoresis procedures and Instrumentation.
 - (iii) International faculty meet (IAP-ID) to discuss Breast Tumours and Testicular Tumours.
 - (iv) Issues on common diseases, diabeties, tuberculosis and Thyroid diseases update symposium conducted.
 - (v) Proposal for laboratory council formation which will have a control for registration and licensing to practice diagnostic laboratory.
- (c): The conference has just ended and follow-up action on the recommendations will be analysed and will be implemented where felt necessary.
- (d): In Dr. RML Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital and LHMC & Associated Hospitals, facilities of modern gadgets including CT Scan are available.
- (e): In view of (d) above , question does not arise.
- (f): The number of patients waiting for CT Scan who have been given appointment in Safdarjung Hospital is around 1000.
- (g): The tests conducted in Dr. RML Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital and LHMC & Associated hospitals are quite reliable and accurate.
- (h): In view of (g) above, question does not arise.