GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1878 ANSWERED ON:07.03.2000 PHC SUB CENTRES IN DELHI SAHIB SINGH VERMA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of PHC/Sub-Centres set up by the Government in Delhi;
- (b) whether these Centres are as per norms prescribed by the Government;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps the Government propose to take to set up more PHC, Sub-Centres in Delhi;
- (d) whether the existing PHC/Sub-Centres are fully equipped with the required medicines as well as Doctors; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the remedial steps being taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

- (a) There are 42 Sub Centres and 8 PHCs functioning in Delhi.
- (b) As per 1991 population norms there is a shortfall of 148 Sub Centres and 24 PHCs in Delhi.
- (c) Establishment of these centres is the responsibility of the State Government. Additional Central Assistance under Basic Minimum Services Programme is being provided to the States for strengthening seven Basic Minimum Services, one of which is Primary Health Care. Planning Commission has given targets to set up 148 Sub Centres and 24 PHCs under Ninth Plan.
- (d)&(e) There is a shortage of doctors in some Primary Health Centres PHCs aræstablished and maintained by the State Government. The Central Government is providing funds for strengthening the Primary Health Care Services, provision of medicines, contractual staff and inservice training etc. under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme.