

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:157
ANSWERED ON:01.12.2004
UPGRADATION OF HEALTH SERVICES
Narhire Smt. Kalpana Ramesh

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

- (a) whether the Government of Maharashtra had sent a proposal for purchase of machinery and essential equipments costing around Rs.21.45 crores with financial assistance from Japan`s grant-in-aid for upgrading the health services in Government Medical Colleges and Civil Hospitals at Kolhapur-Latur, Chandrapur, Gadchiroli and Amravati into regional referral centre;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present status of the proposal?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The proposal of the Government of Maharashtra for upgradation of civil hospitals and Government Medical Colleges at Kolhapur-Latur, Chandrapur, Gadchiroli and Amravati into regional referral centres at an estimated cost of Rs.21.45 crores was submitted for the consideration of Government of Japan through Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs, Department of Economic Affairs in 2002. The Embassy of Japan has informed vide their communication dated 23rd November, 2004 that the above proposal has not been adopted for financial assistance.