

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF ORGAN BANKS

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up 10 organ-banks in the country as reported in the 'Times of India' dated March, 11, 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the locations for setting up of such organ-banks in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the time by which such banks are likely to be functional?

Answer

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

- (a) The Organ Retrieval Banking Organisation (ORBO) a national facility and nodal centre for the country is already operational at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi. A network of 15 hospitals (Government, Public and Charitable) with ORB has been formed for smooth functioning and coordination for process of Organ Donation and Transplantation in Delhi.
- (b) to (e) Do not arise.