

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

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

- (a) whether a large number of people die of preventable surgical injuries every year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) Health being a state subject, such information is not maintained centrally. However, in so far as Central Government Hospitals are concerned, surgical injuries are managed properly in each hospital. Deaths usually do not occur if injuries are of moderate or minor in nature. At Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, New Delhi, a new trauma centre has been set up for treatment of trauma patients. Similarly, trauma centre at AIIMS, New Delhi is fully functional.