

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

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

- (a) whether the government has made available tele-medicine connectivity between All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and Comprehensive Rural Health Services (CRGS) to meet the health care requirements of the rural people in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of districts connected with AIIMS through tele-medicine network;
- (d) whether some more districts are proposed to be connected with AIIMS through tele-medicine services;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the time by which all the district headquarters are likely to be provided the said facilities in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) Yes.

(b) & (c) The telemedicine connectivity between All India Institute of Medical Sciences and Comprehensive Rural Health Services Project is available through 52 centers in India. The link is functional from 2005. The centers are located in Medical Colleges and Hospitals numbering 59. The telemedicine services are provided only to the Super-specialty Hospitals and Medical Colleges.

(d) No.

(e) & (f) Do not arise.