

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4755  
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INSTALLATION OF BIO-METRIC MACHINES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the bio-metric attendance machines installed under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) to ensure that doctors attend primary and community health centres in rural areas are not functioning properly;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the alternative steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) "Health" is a 'State' subject and health manpower is in the administrative control of the respective State/UT Governments. The service matter including punctuality, regularity and disciplinary matters etc. are concern of the respective State/UT Governments. Any action in this regard is taken by the respective State/UT Governments as per the service rules. However, National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) has attempted to strengthen their accountability to PRIs/Rogi Kalyan Samities etc.