

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

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REGIONAL CANCER CENTRES

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

- (a) the number of new Regional Cancer Centres (RCCs) proposed to be set in the country, Location-wise and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government has received any proposals from the State Governments including the State Governments of Maharashtra, Kerala and Uttar Pradesh for the setting up of new RCCs or upgradation of some cancer centres to the status of RCCs;
- (c) if so, the details thereof State/UT-wise and the action taken thereon;
- (d) whether any proposals have also been received from the State Governments including the Government of Andhra Pradesh for grant of financial assistance for the purchase of High Energy Linear Accelerator with IGRT to meet the increasing demand of Radiotherapy for cancer patients; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the financial assistance provided/ proposed to be provided in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN)

(a) to (c): The Government has recognized 27 Regional Cancer Centres under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) in various States/UTs and as per existing guidelines, additional RCC can be recognized in a populous State. The main aim of recognizing the RCC is to fill up the geographical gaps in the availability of treatment of cancer. A list of RCCs is Annexed.

The State of Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh already have two Regional Cancer Centres each and Kerala has one RCC. The grant-in-aid released to these RCCs is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)			
Name of the RCC	State	Grant-in-aid released	Year
RST Cancer Hospital, Nagpur	Maharashtra	3.00	2008-09
RCC, Kerala	Kerala	1.00	2006-07
RCC, Kerala	Kerala	4.00	2007-08
Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital, Allahabad	U.P.	5.00	2006-07
Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow	U.P.	5.00	2005-06

(d) & (e): A proposal was received from the State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh for sanction of grant-in-aid for an amount of Rs. 10.00 crore to the MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre, Hyderabad for purchase of High Energy Linear Accelerator. The RCC has already availed Rs. 3.00 crore under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) during the year 2008-09 and at present there is no scheme under which grant-in-aid amounting to Rs. 10.00 crore can be released to the Institute.