

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5239  
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INCLUSION OF BPL FAMILIES UNDER NRHM  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the criteria adopted for inclusion of families in the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);
- (b) whether the Government would consider inclusion of those destitute poors, widows and the handicapped in the NRHM whose names are not included in the list of Below Poverty Line;
- (c) whether any criteria has been fixed for inclusion of hospitals situated in the rural areas under the NRHM;
- (d) whether the Government has received complaints against those included by flouting the criteria; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken on against them?

**Answer**

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

- (a) NRHM is for all households in rural areas.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) There are no fixed criteria; it is a universal coverage and strengthening system of health care in rural areas through provision of physical infrastructure, human resources, equipment, emergency transport, drugs, diagnostics and other support as per Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS).
- (d) No
- (e) Does not arise.