

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSESSMENT OF HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the hospitals in the country are continuing to avoid external quality assessment in terms of accreditation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of hospitals in the Government and private sector which have received accreditation having fulfilled the set standards since the launch of the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals, State-wise;
- (d) whether most of the Government hospitals lack infrastructure needed to meet the norms set by the National Accreditation Board for Health; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to provide the infrastructure to enable them to meet the set standards?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): As informed by Quality Council of India (QCI), no such information is available.

The State-wise detail of the accredited hospitals is as follows:

State Number of Accredited hospitals

Andhra Pradesh 2

Delhi 11

Gujarat 6

Haryana 3

Jharkhand 1

Karnataka 7

Kerala 7

Maharashtra 9

Punjab 2

Rajasthan 1

Tamil Nadu 7

Uttar Pradesh 5

West Bengal 2

Total 63

Out of the 63 hospitals, two (2) hospitals are from Government sector, one each from Govt. of NCT of Delhi and Govt. of Gujarat.

(d) & (e): No assessment has been done by the QCI in this regard.

However, under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), the Government has formulated Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) for Sub-Centres, Sub-district and District Hospitals to provide quality health care to the citizens of the country. These are standards of physical infrastructure, equipments, human resources as well as range and quality. The health facilities are upgraded to IPHS in a

phased manner by the States/Union Territories and funding support for this purpose is provided under NRHM as per Programme Implementation Plan of the State/ UT.

As part of the health sector reforms undertaken under NRHM, States are seeking accreditation of hospitals to improve the range and quality of care. Funds for this activity are released to States under NRHM as per Programme Implementation Plan of respective States.