

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DOCTORS ON STRIKES

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

- (a) whether strikes by Doctors in Government Hospitals and the country including Delhi have been on the rise during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any plan to prevent such strikes in the interests of public and patients, at large and at the same time evolving a suitable mechanism to ventilate teh grievances of health workers including doctors; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare does not maintain information on the strikes by doctors. However, as far as Central Government Hospitals in Delhi are concerned, due to manhandling/grievances of doctors, a few instances of strikes by doctors have been reported in Safdarjung and LHMC and associated hospitals in the recent past.

(c) & (d): For providing safe working environment to the doctors, the hospitals, have taken various measures like installation of CCTV for coverage of hospital premises, strengthening of security measures, maintenance of high level of sanitation, use of personal protection gear etc.