GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:451
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2010
IMPLEMENTATION OF VALIATHAN REPORT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Valiyathan Committee has inter-alia recommended commercialization of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences(AIIMS), New Delhi and change in the character of Institute from educational, treatment and research oriented;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the salient features of the recommendations of the committee;
- (c) the follow-up action taken thereon; and
- (d) the manner in which the Government proposes to provide affordable health care facilities to the poor patients in the country in the event of acceptance of Committee's recommendations?

Answer

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

(a)to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 451FOR 10 DECEMBER, 2010

The recommendations of the Valiathan Committee are broadly to improve the functioning of the AIIMS so that the objectives for which the institute was set up could be achieved. The recommendations of the Valiathan Committee are in the following two parts:

- i. Part 'A'- Recommendations not requiring structural changes(31 recommendations)
- ii. Part 'B'- Recommendations requiring structural changes through amendment in AllMS Act, Rules and Regulations(7 recommendations).

The recommendations under Part `A` were reviewed by the Academic Committee of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AllMS) and subsequently discussed in the Governing Body and Institute Body of AllMS. The majority of recommendations have been accepted `in principle` by the Institute Body of AllMS and the recommendations are at various stages of implementation. A High Powered Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Secretary (H&FW) to examine recommendations under Part `B`. The High Powered Committee has submitted its report on 29.11.2010.

The acceptance of recommendations of the Valiathan Committee will not affect the affordable health care facilities being provided by AllMS to poor patients rather they would continue to enjoy the present benefits admissible to them.