

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:111
ANSWERED ON:03.03.2011
HEALTHCARE FACILITIES ALONG RAIL NETWORK
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to develop healthcare infrastructure facilities along the Railway network in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the locations identified for this purpose, zone-wise;and
- (c) the time-frame set for its implementation ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.111 BY ADV. A. SAMPATH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.03.11 REGARDING HEALTHCARE FACILITIES ALONG RAIL NETWORK

(a) to (c): Ministry of Railways has developed a health care infrastructure all across the country to provide comprehensive health services to their employees both serving & retired and their dependents. There is a network of 125 hospitals, 586 Health Units (Dispensaries) and approximately 150 other private hospitals which are recognized for select super-speciality services. Railway Hospitals are constantly being upgraded to provide tertiary care.

To make available healthcare for other than Railway beneficiaries, Ministry of Railways in collaboration with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have planned to develop health care infrastructure facilities on Railway land, which is not required for immediate operational use, comprising 381 number of Out Patient Department and Diagnostic Centres, 101 Secondary Level General Specialty Hospitals and 40 Tertiary Level Multi Speciality Hospitals as per details given in Appendix. In this regard, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed between Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. A High Power Group comprising officers from Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has been set up to work out a road map for analysis of viability and feasibility of sites selected. Development of healthcare facilities is planned to be undertaken through PPP mode (Public Private Partnership) by working out a suitable business plan. In this regard Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has appointed M/s IL & FS as a Transaction Advisor.