GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2208 ANSWERED ON:12.08.2011 STRIKES IN HOSPITALS Wankhede Shri Subhash Bapurao

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

- (a) whether strikes by health employees in the Government hospitals in the country including Delhi have been on the rise thereby adversely affecting the helpless poor patients who are wholly dependent on these hospitals;
- (b) if so, the hospital-wise details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken to maintain uninterrupted health services in the Central Government hospitals in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Health being a State subject, such information is not maintained centrally.

In so far as Central Government Hospitals in Delhi, namely, Dr. RML Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & its associated hospitals are concerned, no major strike in these hospitals have occurred in the recent past by the health employees affecting poor patients.

The above three Central Government hospitals have taken various steps to ensure uninterrupted health services which include deployment of security guards, installation of CCTV cameras, engagement of professional security manager, etc.