GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1203 ANSWERED ON:08.08.2011 EXPERIMENTS ON ANIMALS Mirdha Dr. Jyoti

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the animals trials in various research institutes/laboratories and hospitals, etc are governed by the guidelines issued by the Committee for the purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals;
- (b) if so, the composition of the said Committee and the Guidelines issued by them for the purpose of control and supervision on experiments on animals;
- (c) whether the guidelines issued by the Committee also apply on the animals trials carried out in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Committee observed any violations of their guidelines by AllMS during each of the last three years; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The composition of the committee and guidelines issued are available on this Ministry's website. (moef.nic.in)
- (c) Yes, Madam.
- (d) The details are available on the website.(moef.nic.in)
- (e) Yes, Madam.
- (f) Since 2008, five inspections of the Animal House Facility of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AllMS) have been carried out by the committee. AllMS was asked to comply with the recommendations of each inspection for improvement in the infrastructure and ensure rehabilitation of animals on whom the experimentation is over. Committee has decided to keep on hold some research protocols submitted by AllMS, till the improvement in infrastructure of Animal House facility.