GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:728 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2011 FUNCTIONING OF HOSPITALS AND PHCS Nagar Shri Surendra Singh

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

(a) whether the Government has chalked out any scheme for improving the functioning of Central Government hospitals and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in rural/urban areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated in this regard during the current fiscal alongwith the amount released so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

(a)&(b): Yes. In so far as 3 Central Govt. Hospitals in Delhi viz., Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia (RML) Hospital, Safdarjang Hospital and Lady Harding Medical College (LHMC) are concerned, to meet the ever increasing demand of the patients, upgradation and modernization of these hospitals is being undertaken on a continuous basis.

For improving functioning of Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and other public health facilities in rural areas. Government has launched the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). NRHM aims to provide accessible, affordable, effective and reliable healthcare to all citizens of rural areas especially poor and vulnerable sections. Improvement in the infrastructure of Health Facilities and augmentation of manpower are two thrust areas of the Mission. Under new construction work in 18369 Health Facility buildings and upgradation works in 22971 health facility buildings have been sanctioned under NRHM. Moreover, 1.46 lakhs health human resources including doctors, specialists, AYUSH doctors, ANMs, Staff Nurses have also been provided to the States. Untied funds, annual maintenance grants and RogiKalyanSamiti grants are also provided under the Mission to the health sub centres, Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres for proper upkeep and maintenance of buildings and meet emergent requirements. Financial assistance is also provided to States for supply of drugs and equipments to the health facilities.

(c): For the three Central Government hospitals in Delhi, in the current financial year Rs.831.5 crores have been allocated out of which expenditure of Rs.473.43 crores has been incurred.

Under the National Rural Health Mission, in the current fiscal year (2011-12) Rs.14263.72 crore have been allocated and Rs.8217.60 crores have been released.