

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to extend financial assistance for upgradation and strengthening of cancer care facilities across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of medical colleges/ hospitals/cancer centres selected and the funds allocated and released for the purpose, location-wise, State/UTwise;
- (d) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to install cancer and cardiac care facilities in district hospitals and trained doctors therein; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)to(e): The Government of India has launched a comprehensive National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS) last year. The revised programme envisages to strengthen Government Medical Colleges hospitals and erstwhile Regional Cancer Centres across the country as Tertiary Cancer Centre (TCC) for providing comprehensive cancer care services. These TCCs are eligible for financial assistance upto Rs. 6.00 crore (Rs. 4.80 crore from Central Government and Rs. 1.20 crore from State Government). Under TCC Scheme 6 complete proposals namely Indira Gandhi Medical College, Shimla (Himachal Pradesh), Guru Gobind Singh Medical College & Hospital, Faridkot (Punjab), MNJ Institute of Oncology, Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), BRD Medical College, Gorakhpur (Uttar Pradesh), Malabar Cancer Centre, Thalassery (Kerala) and Mizoram State Cancer Institute, Aizwal (Mizoram) have been approved by the Standing Committee on Radiotherapy in its meeting held on 15th November, 2011 for release of Rs. 4.80 crore (each) as Govt. of India's share for non-recurring grant-in-aid. Revised programme envisages strengthening of district hospitals for diagnostic services, basic cancer surgery and chemotherapy facilities. Financial assistance is available for chemotherapy drugs required for cancer patients to treat 100 patients per district @ Rs. 1.00 lakh per patient. The programme also envisages strengthening of District Hospitals by establishing NCD Clinic for cardiac care facilities and by providing Cardiac equipments including human resources.