

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

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PARKING AT AIIMS

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of inconvenience caused to general/public visiting All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) as general parking is located 2.5 kilometers away from the emergency ward of the Institute and a parking fee of Rs. 15 levied for parking;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether another parking slot near to the Emergency Ward charges Rs. 100 for first 4 hours and thereafter Rs. 15 for each hour as parking fee;
- (d) if so, the reasons for such abnormal rates; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to reduce the parking fee at parking stand near the Emergency Ward and also locate general parking in the vicinity of OPDs and General Wards if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIGHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a) & (b): Due to space constraints, it has not been possible to create large parking site in the hospital area of AIIMS. The general parking for scooters and cars are located at a distance of 0.7 Km and 0.85 Km respectively from the Emergency Ward of AIIMS. It is true that a fee of Rs. 15/- is charged for car parking. However, institute provides free ferry service from parking site to the Main Hospital and other centres of the Institute for convenience of the patients and their attendants. Additionally, a free parking site has been developed recently at a distance of about 0.4 Km from Main Casualty.

(c) & (d): The parking site with rate of Rs. 100/- for four hours is in front of Dr. R.P. Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences. This site primarily caters to the patients in private wards. This parking is next to the metro station and was also being used by commuters travelling in metro causing congestion and inconvenience to Private Ward patients. The parking fee of Rs. 100/- for initial four hours has been imposed to deter commuters travelling in metro from parking their vehicles in lots meant for Private Ward patients.

(e) & (f): No space is available for setting up new parking site near the existing general OPD. However, a three level underground parking is under construction which is adjacent to the proposed new OPD Block.