

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4657  
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TOES AND DENTAL TREATMENT FACILITIES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether high prevalence of cases of toes (Panja) swollen with pain the country have been brought to the notice of the Government by a number of Members of Parliament;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial action taken by the Government in the matter;
- (c) whether no treatment is available to check this disease in the Sports Injury Centre and the Orthopaedic Department of Safdarjung Hospital;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the name of the hospitals where remedy for the problem is available;
- (e) whether there is no provision for Denture making in the Dental Department of Safdarjung Hospital; and
- (f) if so, the steps taken by the Government to provide the said facility to the Central Government Health Scheme beneficiaries?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

- (a) to (d): No such reference addressed to Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare by Hon'ble Members of Parliament has been received. The treatment of swollen toes is available in Orthopedics Department of Safdarjung Hospital. The treatment of sports related injuries including swollen toes are also available in Sports Injury Centre in Safdarjung Hospital.
- (e): The Dental Department of Safdarjung Hospital has no provision for Denture making.
- (f): Expenditure incurred on Dentures are reimbursable to CGHS beneficiaries at the prescribed rates.