GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5916 ANSWERED ON:11.05.2012 DETECTION OF GLAUCOMA Choudhry Smt. Shruti

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

- (a) the prevalent testing systems/methods to detect Glaucoma in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to introduce new testing systems/methods to detect Glaucoma which can help prevent blindness;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the funds earmarked for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

- (a) to (c) Measurement of Intraocular pressure, visual field charting and funds examination are the prevalent testing systems/methods to detect glaucoma in the country.
- (b) No.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) Under the National Programme for Control of Blindness (NPCB), grant-in-aid upto Rs. 1000 per case is given to NGO's for management of glaucoma.