

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

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EXPANSION OF AIIMS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether thousands of patients are deprived of critical and necessary treatment including emergency in the absence of necessary resources/ beds/number of doctors in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) resulting in death of a number of patients;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the patients in AIIMS have to wait for months for simple tests viz. Xray, Ultrasound, CT Scan, MRI and other tests;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to expand the infrastructure of AIIMS, New Delhi to improve the situation and if so, the methodology and the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) No. AIIMS handles more patients overload than its maximum handling capacity and all efforts are made to provide best treatment to patients in OPD, emergency and inpatients wards. Despite large number of patients coming to AIIMS net death rate of patients is less than 3% which is matching international standards.
- (c) & (d) The waiting period ranges from few days to few months in different departments of AIIMS because the number of patients coming to AIIMS far exceeds its maximum handling capacity as also there is demand supply mismatch.
- (e) Government has already approved the creation of additional 631 beds at AIIMS and decongestion of existing wards and laboratories. Further, to improve the situation the Government has decided to set up six AIIMS like institutes in the state of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Chattisgarh, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand, which are likely to be functional from the year 2013-14.