

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

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PURCHASE OF POOR QUALITY MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS

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

- (a) the details of complaints received regarding purchase of poor quality % maternal pre-natal care equipments (incubators etc.) meant for infants by various Government hospitals in Delhi and across the country endangering the lives of infants, State/UTwise;
- (b) the details of National Health Mission funds provided to different hospitals for purchase of these equipments during the last three years; and
- (c) the remedial action^plan of the Government to address this issue?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): `Health` is a State subject and it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to ensure availability and monitoring of such equipments in the hospitals; Information in respect of such complaints is not maintained centrally.

The details showing the NPCC approved amount and the expenditure for last three years reported by the States under Procurement of equipments under NRHM and RCH Flexible Pools are annexed.

However, in so far as three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi namely Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College and its Associated Hospitals are concerned, there is no such complaint.