GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2201 ANSWERED ON:24.08.2012 PALLIATIVE CARE PROGRAMME Sampath Shri Anirudhan

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen the Palliative Care Programmes by introducing new methods, including Public-Private-Partnership model;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount spent by various State Governments during the last three years for palliative care and the number of beneficiaries thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether local Self Government Bodies, Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) and Charitable Institutions receive any grants or financial aid from the Government of India (GoI) for their services; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

- (a) & (b) The Palliative care activities are undertaken by this Ministry at District Hospitals and Tertiary Cancer Centres including Regional Cancer Centres in the health care delivery system under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS).
- (c) Health is a State subject. Information regarding State Level activities are not centrally maintained.
- (d) & (e) Under NPCDCS, there is no scheme at present for funding NGOs, etc, for palliative care.