

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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AVAILABILITY OF DIALYSIS MACHINES

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

(a) whether one out of every 10 Indians is suffering with chronic kidney disease in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken/proposed to take any steps to spread awareness among the public about chronic kidney disease and also to increase availability of the number of dialysis machines in Government hospitals and dialysis centres for poor patients across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The exact burden of chronic kidney disease (CKD) in Indian population has not been studied. However, in some of the small population based studies it was found 0.79% in North India and 0.16% in South India.

(c) & (d): In order to spread awareness among the population, the Government of India has launched "Swasth Bharat Programme" which is being telecast from 30 Regional Centres of Doordarshan and 28 Regional Centres of All India Radio respectively five days a week on Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and other diseases in India including chronic kidney disease.

Under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), administrative approval has been taken for a grant of Rs.210.00 lakhs to Government of Kerala in 2012-13 for setting up dialysis units in 14 district hospitals as proposed by the State in its Programme Implementation Plan (PIP).

Government of India is also giving support for strengthening / up-gradation of Medical colleges and establishing hospitals which includes services of non-communicable diseases including chronic kidney disease.

A proposal for control & management of chronic kidney diseases has been submitted to Planning Commission for formulation of 12th Five Year Plan.