GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3430 ANSWERED ON:31.08.2012 RASHTRIYA AROGYA NIDHI Shekhar Shri Neeraj;Singh Shri Yashvir

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

- (a) whether the Government has included diabetes and mental disorders like depression, anxiety, personality disorder etc. under Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi (RAN);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether medical bills upto 1 lakh for treatment of diabetes and mental disorder for the patients from below poverty line will be disbursed by Government under this scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of additional budget allocation for the same during current year;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain how many people from BPL are suffering from diabetes and mental disorder; and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the basis on which these diseases have been included under RAN?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes. A list of categories of treatment under RAN is annexed.
- (c) & (d): Financial assistance to the patients upto Rs.1,00,000/-(Rs.One lakh only), would be processed by the concerned Institute/Hositals at whose disposal the revolving fund has been placed. Individual cases which require financial assistance for more than Rs.1.00 lakh but not exceeding Rs.1.50 lakh may be sent to the concerned State Illness Assistance Fund of the State/UT in the respective State or the amount is more than Rs.1.50 lakh, are referred to RAN for consideration. No additional budget allocation specifically for this has been provided during current year.
- (e)& (f): no survey conducted for this purpose, but the list has been updated on the recommendation of technical committee and approval of managing committee of the Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi Scheme.