

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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BASIC AMENITIES IN HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES

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

(a) whether the Government is aware of the shortcoming in the sanitation system and lack of basic amenities in the Central Government hospitals and CGHS dispensaries and if so, the details thereof and reaction thereto;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any surprise checks to find out the ground realities in the hospitals and CGHS dispensaries in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof and findings therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to remove the shortcomings and to provide basic amenities in the Central Government hospitals and CGHS dispensaries and also their proper maintenance?

Answer

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

(a): In so far as three Central Government Hospitals viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and LHMC & Smt. S.K. Hospital are concerned, there is no lack of basic amenities in these hospitals. However, they cater to patients coming not only from Delhi and its surrounding areas, but also from far flung States leading to huge increase in footfalls in these Hospitals against the available infrastructure. Hence, at times, there is some deficiencies in cleanliness and sanitation in some of the busy areas of these hospitals. Adequate sanitation and basic amenities are also provided in the CGHS dispensaries.

(b) & (c): Regular rounds are made by Sanitary Supervisors/House-Keeping Manager and Officer In-charge (Sanitation) to ensure cleanliness in the Hospitals. Besides, weekly rounds are taken by the Medical Superintendents. In addition to this, teams from Directorate General of Health Services visit these hospitals from time to time to ensure smooth working of these hospitals including cleanliness and sanitation.

(d): Cleanliness and sanitation is maintained in these hospitals by following strict cleanliness schedule and with the help of regular as well as outsourced employees. Mechanized cleaning is also undertaken in certain vital areas. Pest Control work is regularly done. Training of housekeeping staff is also done on regular basis. Sanitation services are outsourced in CGHS dispensaries where no safai karmcharis are available.