

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

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TREATMENT OF DIABETES FOR CGHS BENEFICIARIES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cases of diabetes have increased exponentially over the last few years leading to other long-term medical complications among the diabetic patients in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor indicating the number of diabetic patients in the country, State/ UT-wise;
- (c) the facilities available in Government hospitals for the treatment of diabetic patients along with the steps taken/proposed by the Government to strengthen them;
- (d) whether the Government has taken/proposed any steps to allow Central Government Health Services (CGHS) beneficiaries to get treatment for diabetes from all the empanelled hospitals; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the further steps taken/proposed by the Government to allow cashless treatment for CGHS beneficiaries from all the private empanelled hospitals for any disease?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (GHULAM NABIAZAD)

- (a)&(b): The International Diabetes Federation estimates that 61.3 million persons aged 20 years and above in India had diabetes in 2011 as against an estimated 51 million persons in 2009. State/UT wise data on number of persons affected by diabetes are not available. Increase in cases of diabetes can be attributed to urbanization, affluence and lifestyle changes, obesity, physical inactivity and aging of population.
- (c) Laboratory facilities for diagnosis of diabetes and its specialized treatment is available at medical college hospitals. National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, diabetes, Cardiovascular diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) has been launched to augment facilities for diagnosis and treatment of diabetes at district and sub-district levels.
- (d)& (e) Government has not empanelled any private hospital under central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) for providing regular consultation and treatment of chronic diseases like Diabetes mellitus. They are approved for providing specific medical treatment on due referral from a Government specialist and permission granted by the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) in charge of CGHS Wellness centre. In such cases the empanelled private hospitals provide credit facility to a pensioner CGHS beneficiary in terms of the agreement signed by them with CGHS.