

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

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ISSUE OF CGHS PLASTIC CARDS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has recently issued guidelines for expeditiously issuing of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) plastic cards to CGHS beneficiaries in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of applications pending for issuing CGHS plastic cards in Delhi during last one year till date and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government against erring officials causing delay in this regard and the steps taken by the Government for expeditiously disposal of CGHS cards applications in the country?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) Government has issued detailed guidelines for issuance of individual plastic cards to CGHS beneficiaries vide Office Memorandum No. S.11012/3/2011-CGHS(P) dated 29th December, 2011 which is available at the CGHS website <http://msotransparent.nic.in>
- (c)&(d) Total 1, 32, 909 applications were received for making of CGHS cards in last one year. It is a continuous process. It has since been streamlined and the cards are now sent to the applicants timely by speed post at their home address. There is no pendency in issuance of CGHS cards.