GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1512 ANSWERED ON:15.07.2009 EMERGENCY HEALTH TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES Nagorao Shri Dudhgaonkar Ganeshrao

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

- (a) whether delivery of healthcare services to the rural poor is affected to a large extent for want of dependable transportation facilities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated under the National Rural Health Mission for undertaking various emergency health transportation facilities during each of the last three years and in the current year, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken to enhance rural emergency health transportation services in the country?

Answer

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

- (a) No.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) State-wise Statements showing funds approved under Mission Flexible Pool under National Rural Health Mission [NRHM] during the year 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 for Ambulance Services is Annexure.
- (d) Under NRHM funds are released to State/UT Governments for` ambulance services and other emergency response mechanism. In some case, State Governments have preferred to operate ambulance services run by their own facilities. In other cases, the State Governments have chosen to provide emergency response services through Public Private Partnership route. In both the cases, funds have been released to State Governments as per their requests under the NRHM.