

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4148  
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AMBULANCE SCHEME  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has recently issued any guidelines for implementation of a uniform design and colour coding of Referral Transport System for all the existing and future ambulances being supported by Union Government under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that some States/UTs are designating their own names to the ambulances made available for the hospitals in the States/ UTs under NRHM; and

(d) if so, the details of such States/UTs along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government against the States/UTs who do not follow the guidelines?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ABU HASEM KHAN CHOUDHURY)

(a) & (b): Yes. The details are Annexed.

(c) & (d): It came to the notice of the Government that some States/UTs were designating their own names to ambulances made available under the NRHM. Thereafter Government of India has issued above guidelines to all States/UTs to implement the uniform design and colour coding of Referral Transport System under the National Ambulance Service for all the existing and future ambulances being funded and supported by Govt. of India under NRHM.

The instructions have been reiterated again to implement the guidelines on priority. The Government is not aware of any State designating their own names to the ambulances after the issue of the guidelines.