GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2525 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2013 DEATH OF PATIENTS IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS .

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

- (a) the details of the patients including children died during each of the last three years and current year in Union Government controlled medical institutes/hospitals including All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AllMS) and Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh along with the deaths/patient ratio, hospital-wise;
- (b) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that some deaths have reportedly taken place due to medical negligence by doctors/para-medical staff;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, hospital-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details and the outcome of such inquiry along with the action taken/ being taken by the Government against such hospitals/doctors/ paramedics; and
- (f) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government for providing better and modern facilities in these hospitals?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a):The details are annexed.

(b)to(d):As far as three Central Government hospitals namely Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College and Associated Hospitals are concerned, no cases of medical negligence by Doctor/para-medical staff have been established. There is no incident of negligence in treatment of such patients, who died in the last three years in AllMS. In JIPMER, no case of medical negligence has been reported.

(e)&(f):As far as three Central Government hospitals namely Safdarjang Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College and Associated Hospitals are concerned, patient care is of utmost importance and all measures are taken to provide best medical/ surgical care to all patient admitted or attending OPD with all facilities available in the hospitals. In PGIMER, Chandigarh, there is a Medical Grievance Committee (MCC) headed by Prof. D. Behra, which looks into any complaint of deficiency in treatment. During the process of enquiry, the patient/attendants of the patients are also given an opportunity to present their point of view so that a comprehensive enquiry is conducted.

In JIPMER, the institute is conducting medical care review meeting weekly/ monthly to discuss and analyze the causes of death for prevention. In addition, JIPMER has also set up a Quality Council.