

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

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MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS FOR COMMONWEALTH GAMES,2010

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

- (a) whether there is additional requirement of medical professionals in view of the Commonwealth Games, 2010 in Delhi;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to induct more doctors, nurses and paramedical staff for the Games;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to upgrade medical infrastructure in Delhi in view of the Games?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) Yes

(b) Yes

(c) Delhi Government is in the process of identifying doctors including sports physicians, physiotherapists and masseurs from various governmental and non governmental organizations.

(d) Health Department, Government of Delhi has been identified as the nodal agency. A sub Committee on Health has been set up by the Organizing Committee (OC) of Commonwealth Games with Health Minister of GNCT of Delhi as the Chairperson. A Polyclinic would be established at the Games Village. At each of the stadia Medical Centre with basic emergency care facilities to provide on the spot medical care to the athletes / officials / games family etc., shall be established. First aid posts shall also be established at the competition venues to provide on the spot care to the spectators. Appropriate ambulance coverage shall be provided to these venues. 150 Ambulances are being arranged for the city also, which shall be functional by July, 2010.

The primary and supplementary response hospitals have been identified for each of the venue to take care of any eventuality. They are being upgraded.

These are in addition to 3 definitive care hospitals [GBP Hospital, AIIMS (JPN Trauma Centre) and RML Hospital] for the athletes / games family etc. These hospitals will have dedicated facilities for the athletes / officials / games family etc.

A State of art Sports Injury Centre is being established at Safdarjung hospital which is likely to be operational by May 2010.

Hospital disaster management plans are already functional in the hospitals in accordance to the State Disaster Management Plans to take on any eventuality.

Municipality Corporation of Delhi is the nodal agency for issues related to Public Health with support from National Centre for Disease Control, Ministry of Health & FW, Government of India.