

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

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

- (a) whether the cases of infant deaths due to failure of incubators in the Government hospitals have come to the notice of the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, Statewise; and
- (c) the funds allocated and spent for providing incubators facilities, including Andhra Pradesh during the last three years State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Health being a state subject such information is not available centrally.

In Central Government Hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. R.M.L. Hospital and LHMC & its associated hospitals, no such incidence of deaths due to failure of incubators has been reported.

In these Hospitals, there is no separate fund allocation for procurement of incubators. All equipments as per demand are procured from the budgetary head under Machinery & Equipment of the respective hospitals.