

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2762

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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 Government controlled hospitals and its associated medical institutes including All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh along with the deaths/patient ratio, hospital-wise;

(b) whether any team of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) had visited these hospitals and if so, the shortcoming noticed by the team along with the corrective measures taken by the Government thereon;

(c) whether there is acute shortage of basic infrastructure facilities including life saving equipment/diagnostic machines in the aforesaid hospitals and if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken by the Government in each hospital;

(d) whether it has also come to the notice that a large number of ventilators and other equipments procured in the aforesaid hospitals are lying idle or nonfunctional; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government in this regard, hospital-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a): Since Health is a State subject, no such information is maintained centrally. As far as three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & associated Hospitals are concerned, the details are Annexed. As far as AIIMS, New Delhi is concerned, the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b): No.

(c) to (e): There is a huge load on these hospitals, due to the limited availability of beds and the ever increasing load factor on these hospitals, it is true that there is a waiting period for certain procedures.

In spite of constraints, adequate attention is being given by Doctors, Nurses and other staff to all the patients visiting OPDs, admitted in Casualty and in-patient wards.

Further, adequate numbers of diagnostic machines, life-saving/therapeutic equipment are available in all patient care areas. All the equipment/machines are kept in proper condition for optimal use. All attempts are made by the respective maintenance committees in three Central Government hospitals to repair the non-functional equipments expeditiously as and when need arises.

As far as PGIMER, Chandigarh is concerned, the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.