

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

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ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY PATIENTS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount of grant provided to the poor and needy patients for admission in hospitals and meeting medical expenses from his discretionary fund during the last one year and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the number of patients provided financial assistance from the said fund during the said period, State-wise;
- (c) whether the fund was fully utilized during the said period;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the number of patients still waiting to receive grant from the said fund?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) : The details provided in Annexure.
- (c) No.
- (d) All eligible patients have been provided financial assistance under the Health Minister's Discretionary Grant.
- (e) No eligible patient has been kept in waiting.