

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

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UTILIZATION OF IMPREST MONEY BY HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the imprest money available at the disposal of the competent authority in the Central Government Hospitals in Delhi including Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the said competent authorities have utilized the imprest money for procurement of those life saving/ essential medicines which were not available in medical stores of the said hospitals during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor, Hospital-wise;
- (d) whether the mortality rate has increased in the said hospitals during the said period;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, Hospital-wise; and
- (f) the corrective steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a): The details of the imprest money available during each of last 3 years and current year in respect of Central Government hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital (SH), Dr. RML Hospital (DRMLH), Smt. Sucheta Kriplani Hospital (SSKH) and Kalawati Saran Children Hospital (KSCH) are given below:

(Amount in Rs.)

Name of the Hospital	SH	DRMLH	SSKH	KSCH
Imprest money available	80,000	11,500	3,000	2,000

(b) & (c): No. The imprest amount is utilised for urgent administrative matters and not for procurement of life saving/essential medicines. Procurement of life saving/ essential medicines, if required, is done from regular budget.

(d) to (f): The details of year-wise net mortality rate of these hospitals are given below:

	2011	2012	2013	2014
DRMLH	2.6	3.6	3.7	2.7#
SH	3.5	3.4	3.8	3.3#
SSKH	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.9#
KSCH	2.6	3.1	1.8	1.2

Upto October, 2014

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No death has occurred due to non-availability of imprest money or lack of life saving/essential medicines in these hospitals.