

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:455

ANSWERED ON:24.04.2015

KIDNEY PATIENTS

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

- (a) whether as per the report of the World Health Organisation (WHO), kidney ailment is one of the major causes of death in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of kidney patients in the country along with the number of such patients registered for dialysis during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is a scarcity of dialysis machines in the hospitals, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the total number of dialysis machines available in the country;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure availability of dialysis machines vis-a-vis their requirement in the hospitals across the country; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to provide dialysis facility free of cost or at affordable rates to the poor patients?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 455 FOR 24 APRIL, 2015

(a) Sc (b): The data on number of persons in India suffering from kidney diseases is not available. However, Chronic Kidney Diseases (CKD), which is a cause of kidney failure, has been studied in India by small population based studies. It was found to be in 0.79 % in North India and 0.16 % in South India. State/UT-wise data is not available.

(c) to (e): Data regarding availability and cost of dialysis facilities in the country is not maintained centrally. The cost of dialysis varies across facilities. While Health is a State subject, the Central Government supplements the efforts of State Government in providing Tertiary Health Care including for Dialysis facilities. In addition to such facilities provided by the State Government Health Institutions, facility for Dialysis are also available at the Central Government hospitals like All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Delhi, Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi, Jawaharlal Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, etc. Dialysis, in Central Government Hospitals, is available free of cost or at affordable rates for poor patients. Further, health institutions supported under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) enhance the tertiary care facilities in the country including for Chronic Kidney Diseases.

The National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardio-vascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) also helps in reducing non-communicable diseases like Diabetes and Hypertension which are a cause of chronic renal diseases and occurrence of renal failure.