GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2229 ANSWERED ON:05.12.2014 DEATHS DURING STERILIZATION SURGERY

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

- (a) whether a number of women have reportedly died and dozens more are in a critical condition after sterilization surgeries conducted during a sterilization camp in Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh recently and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Union Government thereto;
- (b) the details of compensation/financial assistance provided to the next of kin/ dependents of the deceased;
- (c) whether the Union Government has sought any report from State Government of Chhattisgarh in this regard, if so, the details and response of State Government thereto;
- (d) the action taken/being taken against the guilty doctors/persons in this regard; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to ensure that such incidents do not recur in future?

Answer

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

- (a) to (d): Yes. The summary of report received and actions taken thereon by the State Government is Annexed.
- (e): The Central Government has already laid down 'Standard Operating Procedures' for conducting sterilization camps to be followed by all States of India.