

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4179  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2019**

**NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNITS**

**4179. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:  
SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there is no Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) for out born babies in AIIMS, Delhi, if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;
- (b) the number and names of hospitals in Delhi where NICUs for out born babies are available;
- (c) whether there is no ward for mothers out born new babies in RML Hospital and such patients are forced to sleep on the floor or steps of the hospital;
- (d) if so, the reasons of nonavailability of mother ward in RML Hospital; and
- (e) the necessary steps taken by the Government to build mother's ward in RML Hospital?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): In view of constraints of capacity, exclusive facility for out born babies is not available in AIIMS, New Delhi. However, out born babies with rare disorders, diagnostic challenges or those who get on life support in emergency room are admitted at Paediatric ICU based on the availability of beds. Further out born babies needing specialised surgery or care get admitted under paediatric surgery and paediatric cardiology and out born babies with retinopathy of prematurity needing laser or surgery get admitted in R.P. Centre High Dependency Unit(HDU).

(b): One out born NICU is available in Dr. RML Hospital of the Central Government at Delhi.

(c) to (e): There is no separate mother ward in Dr. RML Hospital. However, 8 mother beds and 8 Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) chairs are available for out born NICU. Obstetrics & Gynaecology wards for sick mother are also available in the hospital. The construction of 25-bedded General Maternity Ward in Dr. RML Hospital has been approved by the Government.

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