

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4300  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2019**

**IMPREST MONEY IN CENTRAL GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS IN DELHI**

**4300. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:**

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 Central Government Hospitals in Delhi particularly Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the utilization of 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, Hospital wise;

(c) whether the mortality rate has increased in the said hospitals during the said period in the absence of adequate supply of medicines;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) the number of deaths reported from the said hospitals during the said period, Hospital-wise; and

(f) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

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

(Amount in Rs.)

Name of the Hospital	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
SJH	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
RMLH^	86,000	86,000	86,000	86,000
SSKH*	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
KSCH*	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000

^given to various Departments to make petty purchases

\*for one time

(b): The details of imprest money utilized during last three years and current financial year by these Hospitals are given below:  
(Amount in Rs.)

Name of the Hospital	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (As on date)
SJH	5859	9393	6630	Nil
RMLH	105500	149500	175500	1,90,500
SSKH KSCH	Life Saving/Essential Medicines are procured through Authorized Local Chemist (ALC) if the drug is not available in drugs store. Imprest money is not required/utilized for this purpose.			

(c) & (d): No death has been reported due to non-availability of life saving/essential medicines in these hospitals.

(e): The number of deaths reported during the said period in these Hospitals is given below:

Name of the Hospital	2016	2017	2018	2019 (till date)
SJH	10,740	10,852	12,614	11,183
RMLH	5,557	6,132	6,788	5,758
SSKH	614	662	741	609
KSCH	1,067	980	1,043	787

(f): The steps taken in this regard include procurement of urgent lifesaving medicines from approved local chemist as and when required on requisition of treating doctors, procurement of medicines/drugs of the hospital formulary as per the laid down procedure, etc