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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.288 TO BE ANSWERED ON 1ST DECEMBER, 2015

IMPACT OF BUDGETARY CUTS ON CGHS

288. DR. T.N. SEEMA:

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

- (a) whether the funding for Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) has been steadily going down since 2013 onwards, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same;
- (b) whether the Health Ministry has no funds left in the CGHS account for November and December 2015, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether successive budget cuts have resulted in the present crisis in CGHS; and
- (d) if so, the remedial steps taken by Government for smooth functioning of CGHS?

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

(a): No. The Budget allotted under CGHS and the expenditure incurred for the financial years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 are as under:

CGHS Budget			
			(Rs. in crores)
year	BE	RE	Actual Expenditure
2013-14	1515.3	1747.56	1832.15
2014-15	1726	1781.9	1799.81
2015-16	1891	awaited	1264.40 (prov. till 13.11.2015)

- (b): Sufficient funds are available for meeting the requirements for the months of November and December 2015.
- (c) & (d): Does not arise.