

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3618
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH MARCH, 2018**

FUND ALLOCATION FOR AIIMS BHUBANESWAR

3618. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN:

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

- (a) whether adequate funds have been allocated for the efficient functioning of AIIMS, Bhubaneswar;
- (b) if so, the details of funds allocated to it during the last two years;
- (c) whether Government is aware that functional requirement of doctors and staff is still to be completed in this Institute; and
- (d) if so, the reasons of delay and the likely date by which the Institute will be fully functional?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Yes. Sufficient fund has been allocated for proper functioning of AIIMS at Bhubaneswar.
- (b): A total of Rs. 198 cr in 2015 – 16 and Rs. 147.19 cr in 2016 – 17 has been released in the last two financial years by the Ministry through Grants-in-Aid to the Institute.
- (c): At present there are 172 faculties, 146 senior residents and 163 junior residents available to the Institute. Recently the Institute has completed selection process for 179 faculty vacancies out of which 72 have been selected. As high standard have to be maintained in the selection of faculty in keeping in view the envisioned leadership role of AIIMS, it has not been possible to fill up all the advertised vacancies due to insufficient number of suitable candidates. Hence, there has remained shortage of faculty vis-à-vis the sanctioned strength. However, the Ministry and the Institute are taking every possible step to mitigate the shortfall
- (d): There are several reasons like contractual issues pertaining to construction works, procurement of medical equipments and selection of personnel etc. which have resulted in delay of full functioning of the Institute. However these issues have been resolved and it is expected that the Institute will attain full functionality with 960 beds by July / August, 2018.

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