

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4117
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD APRIL, 2018**

LONG WAITING TIME FOR SURGERY AT AIIMS, NEW DELHI

4117. SHRI VEER SINGH:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that a large number of serious patients are not getting admission in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi and have to wait for years for undergoing surgeries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reactions of Government thereto;
- (c) the number of patients registered during the last three years in AIIMS Surgery Department and the number of patients operated upon and referred to other hospitals due to non-availability of beds; and
- (d) corrective steps taken by Government to increase the number of beds and other facilities in the Surgery Department?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The number of patients coming to AIIMS, New Delhi, for treatment/surgery is more than the beds available in the Institute. However, the Surgery Department of the Institute prepares waiting lists of the patients needing admission according to the condition of patients, urgency of treatment and availability of beds on a particular day. In the casualty/emergency life saving situations, all efforts are made to admit seriously ill patients in the hospital as far as possible. In case of non-availability of beds in the emergency, the patients are first stabilized and then sent to other Government hospitals for further management.

(c): The number of patients registered during the last three years in AIIMS Surgery Department and the number of patients operated upon is as under:

Years	OPD	Admission	OT (Major)	Minor
2014-15	76786	7568	3701	12558
2015-16	86543	7993	4098	13637
2016-17	92740	7755	3850	14855
2017-18 (upto February)	101622	6820	3946	13481

The record of patients, who were referred to other hospitals, is not maintained by the Surgical Department of the Institute.

(d): To increase the number of beds and other facilities in the Surgery Department, the Government has approved setting up of a New Surgical Block, with 200 beds.
