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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 603 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07TH FEBRUARY, 2023

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603: PROF. MANOJ KUMAR JHA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences (RMLIMS), Lucknow have not paid salaries to its security guards for the past six months;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the said Institute outsourced all its security guards from private agency;
- (d) the number of security guards hired/outsourced by Government hospitals in the country;
- (e) the details of social security benefits provided to security guards who work in Government hospitals; and
- (f) the steps being taken by Government to improve the condition of security guards in the Government hospitals?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (f): Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences (RMLIMS), Lucknow comes under State Government of Uttar Pradesh. However, as per information received from RMLIMS, Lucknow, out of total 227 Security Guards, 197 Security Guards have been outsourced from two Private Agencies and 30 Security Guards have been outsourced from Uttar Pradesh Purva Sainik Kalyan Nigam Ltd. (a Uttar Pradesh Government Undertaking). 44 Security guards, managed by one of the above two private agencies have not got salary for three months from October to December, 2022 as the bills for payment, which were presented by concerned agency on 24.01.2022 are in process of scrutiny and pre audit by RMLIMS. "Public Health" and 'Hospitals' are state subjects. Therefore no such data is maintained centrally. The security personnel are given social security through Employees Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance Scheme and Minimum Wages Act, 1948.
