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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1881
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH AUGUST, 2025

PROTECTION OF GOOD SAMARITANS

1881: SHRI K.R. SURESH REDDY:

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

(a) whether the Ministry has issued directions to all States and Union Territories to display the Charter of Rights of Good Samaritans in all hospitals and if so, the details thereof including the date of issuance and compliance status;

(b) whether the Ministry has taken specific measures to ensure that hospitals do not detain Good Samaritans or demand payment for registration and admission costs, in accordance with the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reason thereof?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) to (d):   Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has formulated following Rules regarding the rights of Good Samaritan vide notification dated 29.09.2020 (GSR 594 (E)) :

i) That every public and private hospital shall publish a charter in Hindi, English and vernacular language, at the entrance or other conspicuous location, and on their website, stating rights of Good Samaritans under the Act and the rules made thereunder.

ii) Motivate the general public to help the road accident victims in emergency situation. As per notification, a Good Samaritan who has informed police of any accident involving a motor vehicle, or who has transported a victim of an accident involving a motor vehicle to the hospital, shall not be subjected to any further requirements by the police or the hospital, and shall be permitted to leave immediately.

Further, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has launched a scheme for grant of Award to Rah-Veer (Good Samaritan) through State and UTs to motivate general public to help the road accident victims in emergency situation and awareness about it.

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