

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1875
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2026**

POINT-OF-CARE DIAGNOSTIC TOOLS FOR MATERNAL CARE

1875. SMT SUDHA MURTY:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has evaluated the advanced point-of-care blood testing tools like Rotational Thromboelastometry (ROTEM) to rapidly identify bleeding causes and prevent deaths from Postpartum Haemorrhage (PPH);
- (b) the current availability of these rapid diagnostic systems across Government District Medical Colleges equipped with blood component separation units; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to include the procurement of these life-saving machines under ongoing maternity schemes like the National Health Mission (NHM) or the LaQshya initiative to make them accessible to underserved communities?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

- (a) No.
- (b) These rapid diagnostic systems are not available in all Govt District Medical Colleges, which are equipped with blood component separation units.
- (c) Under National Health Mission (NHM), the Government of India sanctions life-saving equipment, machinery, and logistics to all States and UTs based on their proposals received through Annual Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs), including for underserved communities.
