

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1713  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2017**

**IMPREST SYSTEM IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS**

**1713. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:  
DR. SATYAPAL SINGH:**

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

- (a) the details of the imprest money available at the disposal of the competent authority in Central Government Hospitals in Delhi, particularly Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the said competent authorities have utilized the imprest money during the said period and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the mortality rate has increased in the said hospitals during the said period in the absence of adequate supply of medicines and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of deaths reported from the said hospitals during the said period, hospital-wise; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure availability of medicines and proper utilization of imprest money in the said hospitals?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

(a): The details of the imprest money available with competent authority during each of last three years and current year in respect of Central Government hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital (SJH), Dr. RML Hospital (RMLH), Smt. Sucheta Kriplani Hospital (SSKH) and Kalawati Saran Children Hospital (KSCH) are given below:

(Amount in Rs.)

Name of the Hospital	SJH	RMLH	SSKH	KSCH
Imprest money available	90,000	17,000	3,000	2,000

(b): The details of imprest money utilized during last three years and current financial year by these Hospitals are given below:

Name of the Hospital	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (As on date)
SSKH	41168	40939	48888	31409
KSCH	46278	30795	21051	19114
RMLH	215062	232041	235038	504897
SJH	The imprest money is issued to Head of Departments of various departments to meet the emergency expenditure as per their requirement and adjust within stipulated time on routine basis.			

(c): No death has been reported due to non-availability of life saving/essential medicines in these hospitals.

(d): The number of death reported during the said period in these Hospitals is given below:

Name of the Hospital	2014	2015	2016	2017 (till February, 2017)
SSKH	611	526	614	87
KSCH	1100	1132	1079	109
RMLH	4285	4870	5557	879
SJH	9200	9757	10740	1850

(e): The steps taken by these hospitals in this regard include procurement of urgent lifesaving medicines from approved local chemist as and when required on requisition of treating doctors, procurement of medicines/drugs of the hospital formulary as per the laid down procedure, etc.