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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 399 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03RD FEBRUARY, 2017

INFRASTRUCTURE FOR CANCER PATIENTS

399. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: DR. SUNIL BALIRAM GAIKWAD: DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR: SHRI SATAV RAJEEV: DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN: SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

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

(a) whether the Government is aware that infrastructure in AIIMS for cancer patients is not adequate which is causing hardships to the cancer patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the waiting time period of various procedures for cancer patients in AIIMS, separately;

(d) whether the Government is aware of the recent review conducted by the AIIMS which says that the cancer centre in AIIMS is crumbling under the load of patients and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government to overcome the situation; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to release more funds to AIIMS to improve the infrastructure for cancer patients and if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) & (b): Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Institute Rotary Cancer Hospital (Dr. BRA IRCH) of AIIMS, New Delhi is a major Regional Cancer Centre (RCC) as envisaged in the National Cancer Control Programme (renamed as NPCDCS). The centre has in patient ward, OTs and ICU's for comprehensive treatment to cancer patients. There is adequate facility to detect various types of cancer including breast cancer at early state.

(c): The waiting time period of various procedures for cancer patients in AIIMS, New Delhi is from 0 to 7 months depending upon the case history & availability of slots.

(d) & (e): To address the increasing cancer patients load, the Government has approved setting up of National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar, Haryana.