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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2171 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2017

METRO BLOOD BANK

2171. SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

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

- (a) whether the Central Government has sanctioned to set up a Metro Blood Bank at Chennai at a project cost of Rs. 213 crore;
- (b) if so, the details and present status thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be functional?

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

- (a) & (b): Yes. Government of India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Government of Tamilnadu in June, 2016 to set up a Centre of Excellence in Transfusion Medicine which is also called Metro Blood Bank at an estimated project cost of Rs. 202 crore. Land has been allotted by State Government.
- (c): The expected time by which it is likely to be functional is between 3-5 years from date of signing of MoU.

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