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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3168 TO BE ANSWERED ON $5^{\rm TH}$ JANUARY, 2018

WAITING PERIOD IN AIIMS

3168. SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for reducing the waiting period for surgeries/medical tests in AIIMS, Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of average waiting time taken for surgeries/test; and
- (c) the details of measure taken/being taken by the Government to reduce longer duration for surgeries/tests?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) to (c): Adequate medical care is provided to all patients who come to AIIMS, New Delhi, for treatment within the available infrastructure. AIIMS, New Delhi prioritizes dates for procedure and surgeries depending on condition of patients. The Waiting period of important surgeries/medical tests is reduced by increasing the infrastructure required for the purpose which is a continuous process and is done on need basis.