

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3642
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH MARCH, 2018**

HEALTH SURVEILLANCE

3642. SHRI RAYAPATI SAMBASIVA RAO:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken efforts to strengthen health surveillance in medical system;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has introduced sophisticated computerized tools for improving the functioning of Government Hospitals;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Government of India has launched the Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) to strengthen health surveillance in the country. It is implemented under the National Health Mission in all States/UTs with the objective to detect and respond to disease outbreaks due to epidemic prone diseases. To prevent the spread such outbreaks, States/UTs are provided with additional manpower, training of identified Rapid Response Team (RRT) members for outbreak investigations, strengthening of laboratories for detection of epidemic prone diseases, IT equipment for data entry, analysis and data transfer, and provision of funds for operationalization of the programme.

(c) to (e): Yes. The computerized tools introduced by the Government to enable and improve the functioning of healthcare services at the various State and Central Government Hospitals include the Hospital Information System, the Online Registration System and the Patient Feedback System.

The eHospital application of National Informatics Centre has been implemented in approximately 200 government hospitals including Central Government and Autonomous hospitals.

An Online Registration System (ORS) has been implemented for online registrations and appointments wherein patients can view their lab reports, check blood availability and can make online payments. Approximately 140 Government hospitals are using this online registration system now.