

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4659
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD MARCH, 2018**

IRREGULARITIES IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

4659. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

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

- (a) the procedure being adopted for procuring medicines and medical equipment for Central Government hospitals in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has taken note of irregularities and sub-standard purchase of medicines, injections and cannulas in various Central Government hospitals at exorbitant rates violating the established procedure and guidelines;
- (c) if so, the detail thereof, State/UTwise;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard, if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof along with the action taken in this regard; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to curb such malpractices?

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

(a) As far as three Central Government Hospitals i.e. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, these hospitals are procuring the medicines and equipments by calling open tender as per General Financial Rule (GFR) -2017 & Government of India (GOI) guidelines.

(b) to (e) In so far as three Central Government Hospitals i.e. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, no such irregularities and sub-standard purchase of medicines, injections and cannulas in these hospitals at exorbitant rates violating the established procedures and guidelines has been reported.

However, following safeguards are in place to curb such malpractices by these hospitals:-

- i. Procurement is being done as per GFR.
- ii. Inspection of items received is being carried out by a Committee constituted by the concerned Hospital.
- iii. Lab report of Drugs is being taken on regular basis.

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