

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 711
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2018**

BHOPAL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL & RESEARCH CENTRE (BMHRC)

**711. SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:
DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to merge Bhopal Memorial Hospital & Research Centre (BMHRC) with AIIMS, Bhopal, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details and status for various research projects being carried out during the last three years in BMHRC;
- (c) whether Ayushman Bharat National Health Protection Mission is being implemented in BMHRC, if so, the details thereof and the status of utilization of the said scheme for the victims of Bhopal Gas tragedy; and
- (d) whether there is shortage of nephrologists and lack of dialysis facilities on account of which patients are being referred to other hospitals, if so, the corrective steps taken in this regard?

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

- (a): A core group under the chairmanship of Director, AIIMS Bhopal was constituted to examine the physical infrastructure, financials and human resource of the BMHRC, Bhopal in detail and work out and recommend approach for merger. The Core Group has submitted its report on 1st October, 2018.
- (b): A total of 87 projects have been carried out during the last three years in BMHRC. Status of IEC approved research projects being carried out during last three years is as below :

No. of projects closed	33
No. of projects ongoing	54

- (c): A Memorandum of Understanding has already been signed with National Health Agency (NHA) of Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (AB-PMJAY). The victims of Bhopal Gas tragedy are treated free of cost since the establishment of BMHRC.

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(d): Presently, there is no regular Nephrologist in BMHRC. Recruitment rules for the above post have been notified on 13.02.2018. A proposal for filling up the vacant posts has been initiated.

Till regular recruitment is made, attempts have been made to engage contractual Nephrologist against the vacant posts. For this purpose, open advertisements have been published nine times with wide publicity. In the absence of any response, the remuneration offered has been enhanced in order to attract applicants.

Dialysis facilities are functional and are being provided to patients.

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