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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1250 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH JUNE, 2019

NABH ACCREDITATION OF HOSPITALS

1250. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

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

- (a) whether only one to two per cent of hospitals have been registered with the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) in the country;
- (b) if so, the reason for reluctance by hospitals to register with NABH; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the registration of maximum number of hospitals with NABH?

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

(a) to (c): A total of 3,207 hospitals are registered with National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) under its voluntary Accreditation Schemes and 8,602 under its Certification Schemes.

Quality Council of India has informed that it is difficult to state the exact percentage of the hospitals registered with the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) in the country as there is no exact count of all the hospitals and nursing homes in the country.

As per arrangement with Central Government Health Schemes (CGHS), Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) and Medical Value Travel Facilitator (MVTF), NABH processes the applications received from hospitals for empanelment by concerned agencies. A total of 2,756 hospitals have applied to NABH under this arrangement.

NABH Accreditation is a voluntary process and therefore it is entirely up to the healthcare organization whether or not to apply and get NABH accreditation.