

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 47
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST JUNE, 2019**

POTABLE WATER IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

**47. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Central Government Hospitals do not have the facility of potable water for patients;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has received complaints/suggestions from various quarters regarding non-availability of potable water for patients in such hospitals during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon; and
- (e) the other corrective steps taken by the Government to ensure availability of potable water to patients inside the said hospitals?

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

(a) & (b): In so far as three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi namely Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical college & Associated hospitals are concerned, there is facility of potable water for patients.

(c) & (d): Government has not received any such complaints/suggestions during last three years by Safdarjung and Dr. RML hospital. However, certain complaint was received in LHMC & Associated Hospitals in year 2018, following which more drinking water facilities with inbuilt RO were added to already existing potable water facilities by the hospital to improve availability of potable water for patients.

(e): In so far as these hospitals are concerned, Water coolers with RO system and filter have been installed in OPD/various wards/hostels and further any shortage is being met by providing water bottles and dispensers.

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