

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF EX-SERVICEMEN WELFARE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1678
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16th December, 2022

ECHS HOSPITALS AND CLINICS

1678.ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps for streamlining the functioning of ECHS hospitals and clinics in the State of Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps for empanelling more private hospitals from Alappuzha Parliamentary Constituency under ECHS for providing better treatment, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has received any representation for including any hospitals from Cherthala in Alappuzha District in the list of ECHS empanelled hospitals, if so, the action taken thereon; and
- (e) the details of ECHS empanelled private hospitals in Alappuzha Parliamentary Constituency?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b):
 - (i) There are a total of 143 Health Care Organisations (HCOs) (including Hospitals, Eye & Dental Clinics) empanelled with ECHS in Kerala State.
 - (ii) A total of 06 Hospitals have been empanelled with ECHS during the year 2022.
 - (iii) Regular interactions are also being carried out with the empanelled hospitals for conduct of training and spreading awareness of ECHS policies and bill processing by the Regional Centre, Kochi.
 - (iv) A large number of processes have been automated as part of Digital India initiative to convenience the ECHS beneficiaries. Extension of stay at hospitals, waivers and sanctions has now been made online. Prior sanction, repeat referral and advance for treatment in Government hospital is being made online.

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(c): Yes, Sir. Regular interaction with private hospitals by Regional Centre (RC) ECHS as well as by Polyclinic Alappuzha has been made to empanel adequate private hospitals. Details of private hospitals are as under: -

(i) Super Speciality Hospital, Thumpoli, Alappuzha.

(ii) Care Craft Hospital, Karuvatta, Alappuzha.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): The following hospitals under Alappuzha district are empanelled with Regional Centre ECHS Kochi: -

(i) Huda Trust Hospital, Alappuzha

(ii) Sahrudaya Hospital, Alappuzha

(iii) Sacred Heart Hospital, Alappuzha

(iv) MSGR Kandathil Memorial Cancer Research Centre, Alappuzha

(v) Chairhanya Eye Care Hospital, Alappuzha
