

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2980
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17TH MARCH, 2023**

INSTITUTE OF ORGAN TRANSPLANTATION

2980. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up the Institute of Organ Transplantation at the Sedarapet campus, Jipmer, Puducherry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time frame by which the said project is likely to be completed so that patients particularly from Puducherry and South Tamil Nadu are benefitted therefrom?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (c) In the National Organ Transplant Program (NOTP) Guidelines for 2021-22 to 2025-26, it is mentioned to establish State Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (SOTTO) in each State/UT for which the proposal has to initiate from respective government of State/UT. A SOTTO has been established at Indira Gandhi Government General Hospital and Post Graduate Institute, Puducherry after due process, for catering the needs of patients in the UT of Puducherry. Moreover, JIPMER had planned to establish the Institute of Organ Transplantation at Sedarapet, Puducherry on a piece of land allotted by the Government of Puducherry in year 2018. However, the Government of Puducherry has issued a letter cancelling the allocation of the land to JIPMER. Hence, the proposal could not progress.
