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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 429 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2023

#### STEM CELL

#### **429. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:**

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

- (a) the time by which the extensive report published by Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) in January, 2022 on the list prepared by the specialists for practice of stem cell therapy and standard operating procedure for its monitoring and control is likely to be made public; and
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. S.P. SINGH BAGHEL)

(a) and (b): The Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) has informed that while preliminary work was initiated at DGHS in January 2021, it could not be completed. However, a process has been established in MoHFW for development of comprehensive evidence-based guidelines using a rigorous and robust scientific process for clarity among stakeholders, including patients, clinicians, and the general public. The generation of such evidence includes collation of systematic reviews (SR) and meta-analysis (MA) of existing literature on well-defined clinical questions. Such rigorously developed evidence-based guidelines have the potential of translating the best available evidence of any healthcare intervention into practice.

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