

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2219
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15th DECEMBER, 2023**

INFECTIONS DUE TO BLOOD TRANSFUSION

2219: SHRI KUNWAR DANISH ALI

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that children have been found infected with Hepatitis and HIV after undergoing blood transfusion in many Government and private Hospitals in the country including Lala Lajpat Rai Hospital, Uttar Pradesh, a government hospital;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

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

(a) to (c)

Lala Lajpat Rai Hospital (LLRH) and Ganesh Shankar Vidyarthi Memorial Medical College (GSVM Medical College), has informed that the reported cases published in recent newspaper reports were found infected prior to blood transfusion.

It is mandatory for all the Blood Centers to do testing for Transfusion Transmitted Infections (HIV, syphilis, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, Malaria) prior to issuing the blood. The Government of India is planning to expand the External Quality Assurance Scheme in the country in a phase wise manner. The Government of India is making the best efforts to ensure the availability of safe blood to all the citizens in the country.
