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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2629 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06TH MARCH. 2020

NATIONAL CENTRE FOR DISEASE CONTROL

2629. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to setup a research centre of National Centre of Disease Control for Hyderabad;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government of Telangana has allotted temporary building for making the centre functional and adequate land for construction of permanent building to setup the research centre;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

- (a) & (b): Government has approved proposal for establishment of 30 new branches of the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), Delhi (including 8 existing branches of NCDC), in all States including in the State of Telangana with a total outlay of Rs. 367.40 crore. The NCDC branches are State level branches of NCDC, Delhi for more effective implementation of schemes / programmes in the respective State and are not to function as research centres. The NCDC branches would provide state-of-art laboratory with sophisticated equipment for diagnostic support to the State Governments in diagnosis of emerging and re-emerging diseases. The project is also aimed at enhancing systemic capacity and capability for disease surveillance, outbreak investigation and rapid response to combat outbreaks in the States.
- (c) to (e): State Government of Telangana had proposed an old building at DM&HS Campus, Koti, Sultan bazar, Hyderabad for establishment of NCDC branch of Telangana on temporary basis. A team of experts of NCDC visited the proposed building on 12th–13th December. 2019. The building was not found suitable for establishment of NCDC branch at Hyderabad.