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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2641 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06TH MARCH, 2020

CGHS WELLNESS CENTRE IN KARNATAKA

2641. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish CGHS Dispensary/Wellness Centre in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi District of Karnataka State as presently the beneficiaries have to commute for a long distance to Bangalore for taking medicines and other treatment etc. every week due to non availability of CGHS Dispensary and CGHS Doctors there;
- (b) if so, the time line fixed for completion of the project; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) to (c): No proposal is pending before the Government to establish CGHS Dispensary/Wellness Centre in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi District of Karnataka State at present.

As per extant norms, the criteria fixed for setting up a Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Wellness Centre in a particular area are as under:-

- I. In an existing CGHS City:- For opening of a new Allopathic CGHS Wellness Centre in an existing CGHS city, there has to be a minimum of 2000 Card holders (serving employees of Central Government and Central Civil pensioners).
- II. **Extension of CGHS to a new City:-** For extension of CGHS to a new city, there has to be a minimum of 6,000 Card holders.

Proposals for setting up of new Wellness Centres are considered as per extant norms and subject to availability of resources.