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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3248 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH MARCH, 2020

HAPLOIDENTICAL STEM CELL TRANSPLANTS

3248. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

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

(a) whether Haploidentical Stem Cell Transplant is recognised line of treatment to treat Thalassemia among children;

(b) whether AIIMS or any other hospitals under the administrative control of his Ministry have been using Haploidentical Stem Cell Transplant to treat Thalassemia among children;

(c) if so, the number of fatalities due to this line of treatment since the year 2012 in the country, State/UT and year-wise;

(d) whether there have been cases of fatalities in private hospitals due to this line of treatment among the Thalassemia patients in the country; and

(e) if so, the details of action taken against the doctors and private hospitals for administering this line of treatment to Thalassemia patients?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a): All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi has informed that Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant (HCT) with a fully matched donor is curative and is currently accepted as standard of care for transplant-eligible Thalassemia children. However, it is still at clinical trials phase.

(b): So far information has been received from AIIMS, New Delhi. It does not offer Haploidentical transplants to Thalassemia patients.

(c) to (e): No data is available in this regard.