3393. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:

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

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up Research and Referral Health Centres in the rural and remote areas of the country including Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such centres are likely to be set up in each district; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Government has been implementing a Central Sector Scheme for Establishment of Model Rural Health Research Units (MRHRU) since 2013-14. The objectives of this scheme are:-

I. To develop state/area specific models depending upon the disease profile, morbidity patterns and local conditions, for transfer of technology for providing better health care services to the rural masses.

II. To train the health professionals under State Health Systems for use of modern field adaptable methods and develop models for translational purposes to improve health status of rural masses.

III. To undertake various research projects in close coordination with the State Government institutions and others that are relevant and beneficial to the rural population.

(c) & (d): These research units are set up in states/districts as per the proposals received from the state governments, in accordance with the scheme guidelines.