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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4452 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2020

BLOOD TESTING IN AIIMS

4452. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

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

(a) whether the blood samples of the patients of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi are being sent to other test centres/labs for testing;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the places where above tests are being carried out;

(c) the reasons for carrying out such tests at places other than AIIMS and the time since when this practice has been going on and how long this practice will continue; and

(d) whether testing of blood samples in labs other than AIIMS may lead to varied results, if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (d): All requisite laboratory, radio diagnostic & other investigation required for the patients are done in various laboratories as per their handling capacity. Due priority is given to inpatients & emergency patients. Additional testing facilities have been created at national Cancer Institute (NCI), Jhajjar campus of AIIMS Delhi for enhancing investigation capabilities. As the number of patients is very large as per maximum handling capacity of the diagnostic laboratories, the patients may have to wait for required investigation in AIIMS or may have to these done from outside.