

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 948
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07TH FEBRUARY, 2020**

FACILITIES AT TATA MEMORIAL CENTER

948. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:

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

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that the Tata Memorial Center, Mumbai is flooded with thousands of patients, if so, whether the Government proposes to put in place a proper monitoring system for its smooth functioning controlled by the Health Ministry keeping in view the increasing inflow of patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the other steps taken by the Government to prioritize the treatments based on the severity of the disease?

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

(a) to (c): As informed by Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), considering the increase in the number of cancer patients visiting Tata Memorial Centre (TMC), Mumbai for treatment, Government of India has sanctioned 6 new cancer hospitals in various parts of the country. Out of this, a hospital in Sangrur, Punjab and two hospitals in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh are already commissioned and started functioning. A 100 bedded hospital in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and another 250 bedded cancer hospital in Mullanpur, Punjab are in advanced stages of being commissioned. In addition TMC/DAE has taken over 260 bedded Dr. Bhubaneswar Borooah Cancer Institute (BBCI), Guwahati, Assam. Over 50,000 cancer patients have received treatment at these centres. To reduce inflow of patients in Tata Memorial Hospital (TMH), Mumbai, TMC has begun web based second opinion services, where more than 30000 opinions have been given.

DAE has further informed that, as far as TMC is concerned the clinicians triage patients who require immediate attention as compared to those where treatment is not on an emergency basis. TMC also have a full fledged casualty department to deal with emergency and complications.

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