

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1092
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH SEPTEMBER, 2020**

NABH ACCREDITATION

1092. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

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

- (a) whether NABH accreditation is granted to both Government and private hospitals, if so, the details thereof and the criteria followed by NABH while providing accreditation;
- (b) whether a large number of private hospitals have been provided NABH accreditation as compared to government hospitals, if so, the reasons thereof;
- (c) whether the Government hospitals such as AIIMS and other prominent government hospitals like Thiruvananthapuram Medical College hold the NABH accreditation, if not, reasons therefor;
- (d) whether government would, as a matter of policy, consider mandating all the Government hospitals to seek NABH accreditation; and
- (e) if so, the expected date of such policy change and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) National Accreditation Board of Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) is under Quality Council of India (QCI), an autonomous organization under Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade. QCI has informed that NABH accreditation is granted to both Government and Private Hospitals based on compliance with the applicable NABH accreditation standards. NABH accreditation standards for organization and hospitals both are benchmarked and accredited by International Society for Quality in Health Care (ISQua).
- (b) As informed by QCI, NABH Hospital accreditation program is voluntary in nature. Accordingly, irrespective of being government or private hospitals, all the applications received are processed as per the stipulated guidelines and the hospitals that meet the Hospital Accreditation standards are granted accreditation after following due process. As per the

available records, presently, the number of private hospitals granted Hospital accreditation are more as compared to Government Hospitals.

(c) to (e) As per extant policy, NABH Hospital accreditation is on voluntary basis and as per available records, NABH has not received any application till date for accreditation either from AIIMS or Thiruvananthapuram Medical College; hence these hospitals are not accredited under NABH Hospital Accreditation Program.