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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 965 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th SEPTEMBER, 2020

ILLEGAL CLINICAL TRIALS

965. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

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

- (a) the number of cases of illegal clinical trials that came to light during last five years and the action taken by the Government thereon, case-wise;
- (b) the number of clinical trial deaths reported during the said period along with the amount of compensation paid and pending, case-wise; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to put in place a proper regulatory mechanism to ensure time-bound and commensurate compensation to the persons volunteering for clinical trials or the families of persons who die during such trials; 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): Some complaints of violations of Clinical Trials Rules have been received by Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) as detailed below:

Year	No. of complains
2015	04
2016	Nil
2017	Nil
2018	02
2019	Nil
2020	Nil

Such complaints, as and when received, are investigated and action taken as per the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules thereunder.

- (b): The number of Serious Adverse Events (SAE) of death, clinical trials related deaths & compensation paid since 2015 is enclosed as **Annexure-A**.
- (c) & (d): Rule 42 of New Drugs and Clinical Trials Rules 2019, provides details of mechanism for reporting and examination of SAEs including death, to decide the relatedness of such events with clinical trial and also to determine quantum of compensation in a time bound manner.

S.No	Year	No. of Serious	No. of cases in	Total amount of
		Adverse Events	which	compensation paid by
		(SAE) of Death	Compensation	the
		related to	was paid	applicant/companies/sp
		Clinical Trial	related to	onsor to Serious
		based on	Serious Adverse	Adverse Events (SAE)
		available status	Events (SAE)	Death cases till date
		of examination		(INR).
		done.		
1	2015	18	18	2,05,94,866
2	2016	27	27	1,71,59,902
3	2017	31	29	1,84,00,749
4	2018	54	51	5,06,88,176
5	2019	44	31	3,16,88,355
6	2020 (till 09.0 9.20 20)	2	Nil	Nil
Total		176	156	13,85,32,048