

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 974
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th SEPTEMBER, 2020**

BEDS/VENTILATORS FOR COVID-19 PATIENTS

974. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of shortage of beds and ventilators for COVID-19 patients in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (A I I M S) and central hospitals after 24 March, 2020 in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that due to insufficient beds and ventilators in hospitals, increase in deaths of patients have been registered;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of availability of beds and ventilators for Covid patients in Government hospitals; and
- (f) the quantum of increase of the beds and ventilators from March 2020 onwards?

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

(a)& (b): Sufficient number of beds and ventilators for Corona patients were available after 24th March, 2020 in AIIMS and Central Government run hospitals of the country.

(c) & (d): No.

(e) & (f): The details of availability of beds and ventilators for Covid-19 patients in the 13 Covid dedicated hospitals of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in the country and increase in their numbers from March, 2020 to till date is given below:

Month & Year	No. of Beds	Ventilators
March, 2020	1707	292
September, 2020	7403	906