

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 725
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH February, 2021**

WAITING PERIOD AT AIIMS, DELHI

725. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

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

- (a) whether the patients with serious ailments are being allotted long waiting dates for pathological tests and conducting surgeries etc. in the All Indian Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi mainly due to large inflow of patients from all over the country, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to formulate any scheme to tackle this situation, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to provide health services at district level in the States under Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) and if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) & (b): The number of patients coming to AIIMS, New Delhi for treatment/surgery is more than the beds available in the Institute. All requisite laboratory, radio diagnostic and other investigations required for the patients are done in various laboratories as per their handling capacity. Due priority is given to inpatients and emergency patients. Additional testing facilities have been created at National Cancer Institute (NCI), Jhajjar campus of AIIMS Delhi for enhancing investigation capabilities. Further, the waiting list of patients needing admission are prepared according to patients' condition, urgency of treatment and bed availability on the particular day. To cater to the increasing demand, new facilities/blocks such as Surgical Blocks, National Cancer Institute, Jhajjar, Mother and Child Block, New Private Ward, Burn & Plastic Surgery, Geriatrics Block and New OPD Block had been approved at AIIMS, New Delhi.

(c): There is no proposal to provide health services at district level in the States under Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS).