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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.762 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2021

DENSITY OF HOSPITALS

762. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

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

(a) whether the Government has made any study with regard to the density of hospitals across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government plans to establish more hospitals in the next three years and if so, the number of hospitals that have been planned along with the category of such hospitals; and

(c) the number of such new hospitals being planned in Assam during the said period?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (c): Health being a State subject, the primary responsibility of providing health care and hospital services to its citizens is that of the State Governments/ Union Territories. However, under National Health Mission (NHM), financial and technical support is provided to the State Governments (including Assam)/UTs to strengthen their health care system based on the proposals received from respective States through Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

As per information received, no study with regard to the density of hospitals has been carried out. However there are standard guidelines already exit under Indian Public Health Standard (IPHS) for setting up the hospitals in the State/UTs.