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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2028 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2024

SHORTAGE OF ICU BED AND VENTILATORS

2028. SHRI SELVAM G: SHRI C N ANNADURAI:

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

- (a) the total number of ICU beds and ventilators available/operational in Government hospitals in the country including Tamil Nadu, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is shortage of ICU beds and ventilators in Government hospitals across the country, if so, the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to augment the number of ventilators and ICU beds in the country;
- (d) if so, the quantum of fund released/assistance provided for the said purpose, State/UTwise;
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to manufacture ventilators in the country, State/UTwise, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide quality treatment to patients in the hospitals?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (f) 'Public Health and Hospitals' is a state subject. No such data is maintained centrally.

As far as Central Government Hospitals i.e. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, the total number of ICU beds and ventilators available in these hospitals is at Annexure. Further, Augmentation of the number of ICU beds and ventilators based on the requirements of these hospitals is a continuous process. Also, treatment is provided as per the Standard Treatment Protocol in these hospitals.

Further, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India provides financial and technical support to the States/UTs. Under National Health Mission (NHM), support is provided to States/UTs to srengthen their healthcare systems based on the Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) submitted by the States/UTs within their overall resource envelope.

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare have taken several steps for quality of services under the National Health Mission (NHM) as under:

NQAS - In 2014, National Quality Assurance Standards were released for CHC and PHCs with an aim to improve the Quality of Care in Public Health Facilities of India

Kayakalp - 'Kayakalp' was launched by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare on 15th May 2015, as an extension of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. It aims to recognize and incentivise such public health facilities which demonstrate high levels of cleanliness, hygiene, and infection control.

Mera Aspataal (My hospital) Initiative: The Government's Mera Aspataal initiative empowers patients to provide feedback on their experiences in public healthcare facilities through a simple, multi-lingual application. It works through multiple communication channels, including Short Message Service(SMS), Outbound Dialling (OBD), a mobile application, and a web portal.

Swachh Swasth Sarvatra (SSS) Intiative: Launched in 2016, SSS is a collaborative effort between the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and the Ministry of Jal Shakti to enhance health outcomes through improved sanitation and promoting healthy lifestyles. Initially focused on rural areas, it has been expanded to urban regions in 2019 as well.

Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS): The revised 2022 IPHS include the various components related to service delivery, i.e. infrastructure requirements, HR norms and capacity building, drugs, diagnostics and equipment, administrative and support services, quality assurance and improvement, monitoring and related government issues.

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Annexure referred to in the reply to parts(a) to (f) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2028 for answer on 02.08.2024.

Annexure

<u>Details of number of ICU beds and ventilators available:</u>

Hospitals	ICU Beds	Ventilators
Safdarjung Hospital	269	400
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital	139	270
Lady Hardinge Medical college & Associated Hospitals	106	233