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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1972 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024

POLLUTION CLINIC IN RML HOSPITAL

1972 SHRI GADDIGOUDAR PARVATAGOUDA CHANDANAGOUDA:

Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently started pollution clinic in the RML Hospital, Delhi to assist the patients who are suffering from pollution related health issues;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the response received thereon;
- (c) whether it is proposed to open more such clinics at the major hospitals in the pollution hit States across the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented and if not, the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

- (a) & (b) A 'Pollution Related illness clinic' has been started in Dr. RML Hospital to assist the patients who are suffering from pollution related health issues. The clinic runs every Monday from 02:00 PM to 04:00 PM on the ground floor of the OPD building. All the patients are evaluated clinically, depending upon their symptoms by the specialists concerned viz., Respiratory/ Eye/ Skin/ Psychiatry, and are thereafter, advised investigations and medication. Patients are also counselled on how to protect themselves from the ill effects of pollution, and are also given an advisory pamphlet. In the month of October and November, 21 and 18 number of patients respectively visited this clinic.
- (c) & (d) At present, no such proposal is under consideration as far as the Central Government is concerned.
