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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTIN NO- 874 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29/11/2024

AIIMS KALYANI

874. SHRI JAGANNATH SARKAR

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that AIIMS Kalyani has a sanctioned capacity of 960 beds but currently operates only 200 functional beds and if so, the reasons for this disparity therefor;
- (b) the steps taken/propose to be taken by the Government to address the shortage of faculty at AIIMS Kalyani considering that only 155 out of 259 faculty positions have been filled;
- (c) whether the West Bengal Government is delaying the issuances of No-Objection Certificates (NOCs) for State Government doctors hereby affecting faculty recruitment at AIIMS Kalyani and if so, the measures being considered to resolve this issue;
- (d) whether there is any plan to increase the number of MSc Nursing seats at AIIMS Kalyani, which currently has only five seats, if so, the details thereof alongwith the timeline fixed for this expansion; and
- (e) whether it is true that patients are experiencing difficulties in securing appointments at AIIMS Kalyani and if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve patients access to medical services?

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

(a) and (b) The number of sanctioned beds at AIIMS Kalyani is 960 out of which 501 beds are functional. Currently, out of 259 sanctioned faculty positions 157 are filled. In order to fast track, the filling up of vacancies in various AIIMS, various steps have been taken including (i) Centralized Recruitment for Nursing Cadres via Nursing Officer Recruitment Common Eligibility Test (NORCET) (ii) Rolling advertisement with one-year validity (iii) Common Recruitment Examination (CRE) for non-faculty posts (iv) Engagement of staff on short term contract / outsource basis in case of urgent requirement.

- (c) On selection to faculty positions in AIIMS Kalyani, doctors working with the Government of West Bengal join the Institute only after being relieved by the Cadre Controlling Authority.
- (d) Currently, there are Six(06) seats of M.Sc Nursing in AIIMS Kalyani :4 in Pediatric Nursing and 2 in Psychiatry Nursing. Expansion of seats is a continuous exercise.
- (e) Patients can take appointment at AIIMS Kalyani either by calling a dedicated phone number or through AIIMS Kalyani Swasthya mobile app.
