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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. - 1059 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25/07/2025

CENTRAL RESEARCH LABORATORY IN AIIMS, BHUBANESWAR

1059. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI: SHRI RAVINDRA SHUKLA ALIAS RAVI KISHAN: SHRI BIBHU PRASAD TARAI

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

- (a) the objectives behind establishing the Central Research Laboratory (CRL) in AIIMS Bhubaneswar;
- (b) whether there are any plans to replicate similar laboratories in other regions to foster equitable research development;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the manner in which CRL is being integrated with National-level Research Networks and Institutions?

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

(a) to (d) The Central Research Laboratory (CRL) is established at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhubaneswar to provide a centralized platform equipped with advance research infrastructure and high-end instrumentation for conducting sophisticated biomedical and clinical investigations by students and faculty of all clinical departments of the Institute. This infrastructure is utilized by the Institute for conducting research funded by various agencies including Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Department of Science & Technology (DST), Department of Biotechnology (DBT), etc.

To develop and strengthen health research infrastructure in the country and to encourage quality medical research, the Department of Health Research (DHR) has established Multi-Disciplinary Research Units (MRUs) and Viral Research and Diagnostic Laboratories (VRDLs) in various Government Medical Colleges/Research Institutions across the country.
