

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3349
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08/08/2025**

ESTABLISHMENT OF AIIMS IN AMRITSAR

3349. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the border belt of Amritsar where war like situation can arise anytime lacks advanced, world-class healthcare facilities, forcing critical patients to travel long distances to Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER) Chandigarh or Delhi, incurring huge medical and lodging costs, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish an AIIMS hospital in Amritsar, considering its strategic border location with Pakistan and the urgent need for specialized trauma care, especially during emergencies and border conflicts, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note that such facility is likely to serve not only Punjab but also the adjoining regions of Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to allocate a special package for the speedy construction of AIIMS Amritsar under centrally sponsored schemes, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) to (d) “Public Health and Sanitation, Hospitals and Dispensaries” is a State subject and the primary responsibility of strengthening the medical infrastructure lies with the respective State Government. Under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), setting up of 22 All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) across the country has been approved including AIIMS at Bathinda in Punjab, which is functional. Further, for strengthening and upgrading tertiary healthcare facilities in Punjab, under another component of PMSSY upgradation of following Government Medical Colleges has been completed by way of construction of Super Specialty Blocks (SSBs) on Centre-State cost sharing basis: (i) Government Medical College, Amritsar and (ii) Government Medical College, Patiala. In the current phase of PMSSY there is no proposal to establish a new AIIMS in Amritsar, Punjab.
