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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 89 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH APRIL, 2016 MOU WITH UK HOSPITALS

*89. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently entered into agreement/signed Memorandum of Understanding with United Kingdom (UK) seeking cooperation in the health sector including opening of hospitals and other health facilities across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise; and
- (c) the extent to which the above joint venture is likely to generate employment opportunities for doctors, nurses and other medical staff associated with the medical profession?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 89* FOR 29TH APRIL, 2016

- (a) to (c) A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between India and the United Kingdom on 19th May, 2013 for cooperation in the field of Health sector for mutual benefit with focus on the following areas:
 - (i) promoting exchange on healthcare policy;
 - (ii) human resources for health;
 - (iii) regulatory issues, including regulation and quality assurance of medicines and medical devises;
 - (iv) health technology development;
 - (v) primary healthcare;
 - (vi) strengthening of public health infrastructure and capacity;
 - (vii) health security, including cooperation on infectious disease, emerging infections, and drug resistance; and
 - (viii) building on the comparative strengths to improve healthcare services and capacity in other developing countries.

As per Annexure to the Joint Statement on the UK-India Summit 2015, King's College Hospital, NHS Foundation Trust and Indo-UK Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. have signed an agreement to open King's College Hospital, Chandigarh. This is the first of the eleven new Indo-UK Institutes for Health planned across India. The other locations identified by the Indo-UK Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. for this purpose are as follows: (i) Mumbai-Pune Corridor, Maharashtra; (ii) Dholera, Gujarat; (iii) Jaipur, Rajasthan; (iv) Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh; (v) Greater NOIDA, Uttar Pradesh; (vi) Kolkata, West Bengal; (vii) Bangalore, Karnataka; (viii) Haryana; (ix) Tamil Nadu; and (x) Madhya Pradesh. At this stage, it is not possible to estimate the likely generation of employment opportunities for doctors, nurses and other medical staff, due to opening of the Indo-UK Institutes for Health.