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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2249 TO BE ANSWERED ON 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2016

#### **R&D CENTRE FOR CANCER**

## 2249. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY: SHRI SHER SINGH GHUBAYA: DR. P. VENUGOPAL: SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI: SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R.K.:

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

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to set up a number of cancer treatment centres cum R&D centres in various places of the country and also to launch awareness programme about prevention from cancer, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government received the proposals from Maharashtra for starting second radiotherapy unit in their existing cancer centres; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with present status, funds allocated/released and the time by which the same are likely to be finalised?

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

(a): The Government of India is implementing "Tertiary Care for Cancer" Scheme. Under the said scheme, Government of India is assisting to establish/set up State Cancer Institutes (SCI) and Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCC) in different parts of the country. SCI and TCCC shall mentor all Cancer related activities in their respective areas, including research and awareness. Setting up of National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar (Haryana) and establishing a second campus of Chittranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata are also approved.

(b) & (c): A proposal was received in March 2015 from Government of Maharashtra for second radiotherapy unit at Government Medical College and Research Centre, Aurangabad. However, the same could not be considered since the Institute was not identified as State Cancer Institutes (SCI) or Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCC) under the existing scheme for the State of Maharashtra.

Under the scheme, one State Cancer Institute and two Tertiary Care Cancer Centres are allocated for the State of Maharashtra. Recently, the State Government has identified State Cancer Institute to be set up at Government Medical College, Aurangabad. The identification for Tertiary Care Cancer Centre locations is to be done by the State Government.