

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2101
TO BE ANSWERED ON – 31/07/2026**

ESTABLISHMENT OF AIIMS-LEVEL INSTITUTION IN AMRITSAR

2101. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has considered establishing an AIIMS-level institution in Amritsar, Punjab considering its strategic location as a major border district adjoining Pakistan if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government acknowledges that Amritsar caters to a large population from the border belt of Punjab and neighboring regions, while the nearest tertiary healthcare institutions such as AIIMS Bathinda, AIIMS Jammu and PGIMER Chandigarh are situated at considerable distances, often causing hardship to critically ill and emergency patients, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to sanction an AIIMS at Amritsar equipped with advanced trauma care, super-specialty services, disaster response facilities, research, medical education and modern healthcare infrastructure to strengthen national preparedness, border healthcare security, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), setting up of 22 All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) 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 two Government Medical Colleges has been completed by way of construction of Super Specialty Blocks (SSBs) on Centre-State cost sharing basis i.e. (i) Government Medical College, Amritsar and (ii) Government Medical College, Patiala. With the objective of strengthening tertiary healthcare services in the border region of Punjab, the Government of India has approved the establishment of a 100-bedded Satellite Centre of Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh at Ferozepur. In the current phase of PMSSY there is no proposal to establish a new AIIMS in Amritsar, Punjab.
