

Dr. RML Hospital and Safdarjung Hospital are concerned, there are adequate arrangements available for Hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis for kidney treatment.

In Safdarjung Hospital 10 beds and 4 dialysis machines are available for kidney treatment. Patients are seen in OPD and emergency regularly round the clock. Facilities for all operative and non-operative procedures are available in Urology and Surgery departments in Safdarjung Hospital. Steps have also been taken to increase the bed strength, manpower and equipments for Nephrology and Urology departments and for setting up of Renal Transplantation.

#### **Vacant posts in AIIMS**

3451. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of posts of doctors and other medical staff are lying vacant in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS);
- (b) if so, the details of number of such posts remaining unfilled; and
- (c) the reasons for not filling up these vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) to (c) At present 194 faculty posts are lying vacant.

As far as filling up of faculty posts is concerned, vacant faculty positions were advertised in the years 2006 and 2007. However, selection process against this advertisement could not take place due to administrative reasons and the same were treated as cancelled/withdrawn. The Governing Body/Institute Body of AIIMS in its meeting held on 13.08.2008 and 18.08.2008 respectively decided to implement the 200 point post based roster and consequently, 92 faculty posts were advertised on 04.11.2008 under Special recruitment Drive for SCs/STs/OBCs. Selection against this advertisement could not take place because of objections from Faculty Association of AIIMS regarding improper implementation of Reservation Policy.

#### **Poor quality TB drug**

3452. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has recently withdrawn the stock of the drug being used under the revised National Tuberculosis (TB) Control Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether such poor quality TB drug has already been given to children in the country; and
- (d) if so, the responsibility fixed by Government for supplying poor quality TB drug to children in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) Yes.