

Conversion of government-run hospitals into autonomous bodies

1735. SHRI R. C. SINGH:

SHRI D. RAJA:

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

(a) whether Government is considering a proposal to convert three Government hospitals in Delhi namely Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital (RML), Safdarjung Hospital and Lady Harding Hospital to autonomous bodies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that by converting these three important Government hospitals in Delhi into autonomous bodies, the poor patients will be deprived of even the limited health facility; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI): (a) There is no such proposal at present.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Status of National Urban Health Mission

1736. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

SHRI N. K. SINGH:

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

(a) the status of the launch of the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) and whether it will be launched during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) whether the Mission's launch has been constantly deferred since 2008 despite the project having received in-principle approval from the Planning Commission and clearance from the Ministry's Expenditure Finance Committee;

(c) the reasons for delay in launching the Mission; and

(d) the revised timeline, if any, for the launch and planned expansion of the Mission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN): (a) to (d) This Ministry's Proposal on National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) was approved by the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) in September, 2008. However, the