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admitted under EWS category by the concerned identified private hospitals on their own and for monitoring the free treatment being provided to the EWS category patients referred by them.

- (iv) The Special Committee constituted by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi revised the income criteria for availing free treatment and the same was raised from Rs. 5000/- per family per month to Rs. 7254/- per family per month. The income criteria have been linked to the minimum wages of an unskilled worker which is revised twice a year.
- (v) Special Referral Desks/Centres have been established in both the identified Private hospitals as well as Government hospitals for facilitating free treatment to EWS patients. These centres are manned by Nodal Officers of the respective hospitals,
- (vi) Apart from the EWS patients who are residents of Delhi, the facility of free treatment was extended to EWS patients residing anywhere in the country.
- (vii) Advertisement regarding the provision of free treatment is regularly published in the leading daily newspapers.

Introduction of e-health system

1915. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to-enact an e-health policy;
- (b) if so, the nature and scope of the proposed policy;
- whether any attempt to introduce e-health system been made by Government in absence of any such policy; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) and (d) Health has been declared as a Mission Mode Project under the National e-Governance Plan (NeGP). Government has taken up various e-health

initiatives for different programmes. Some of them are as under:

- I. National HMIS Web Portal for district and facility level data reporting under NRHM.
- II. Integrated Disease Surveillance Project for morbidity and disease data reporting.
- III. National Anti Malaria Management Information System for malaria program data reporting by National Vector Born Disease Control Program.
- IV. Epicentre is used for TB program data reporting by Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme.
- V. Strategic Information Management System is used for HIV/AIDS data reporting by National AIDS Control Organisation.
- VI. Mother Child Tracking System (MCTS) is used under NRHM for name based tracking of mother and children.
- VII. The web based case based reporting and recording mechanism, named as 'NIKSHAY', has been initiated under the Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) since May, 2012.
- Tally ERP 9 is used under financial management group of NRHM.
- IX. National Cancer Registry Program is collecting cancer data across designated centres.
- X. Procurement Management Information System (ProMIS) is started for reporting of procurements under NRHM.
- XI. National Onconet Project is a telemedicine network in process of establishment connecting regional cancer centres with all other hospitals, follow-up and treatment centres.
- Tele-ophthalmology project is a telemedicine project for connecting vision centres with ophthalmic experts.
- XIII. National Telemedicine Grid.
- XIV. National Medical College Network
- XV. National Digital Medical Library Consortium.