

(a) whether in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi there is any time-frame fixed for the surgery of patients after the deposit of fee for operation by the patients suffering from serious diseases;

(b) the number of heart and cancer patients who are still waiting for surgery for more than three years after the fees have been deposited;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether a heart patient Baby Shama Parveen of Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh is also waiting for more than three years, if so, how long will she have to wait for her medical surgery?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) In the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, various Clinical Departments make their own waiting lists of patients needing admission according to patient's conditions; the urgency of treatment required and bed availability on a particular day.

(b) and (c) In the Department of Cardiology, approximately 500 patients are waiting for more than three years for heart surgeries. Regarding Department of Cancer Research, no patient is waiting for surgery for more than three years.

(d) In the Institute, record of the patient is maintained on the basis of CV Number and name of the Consultant In-charge. Hence, in view of the absence of these details the said patient could not be traced out.

Development plan for PMCH, Patna

2103. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV : Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government has any plan for development of Patna Medical College and Hospital (PMCH), Patna;

(b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the State Government has submitted any proposal on PMCH, Patna; and

- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) to (d) No. However, Central Government, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme to increase the number of Post Graduate Seats in Government Medical Colleges, has earmarked Rs. 2.02 crore towards Central share out of a total proposed expenditure of Rs. 2.69 crore in respect of Patna Medical College and Hospital (PMCH), Patna.

High rates of maternal and infant mortality

2104. DR. T.N. SEEMA : Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India particularly lags behind in maternal and infant health sector;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the infant, child and maternal mortality rates reported along with the reasons for high mortality rates during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the details of programmes/schemes launched and the funds allocated to the States/UTs and utilized to check the high rate of infant, child and maternal mortality rates, during this period along with the latest steps taken to tackle the same especially in the backward and rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b) As per the Sample Registration System (SRS), Registrar General of India (RGI-SRS), Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) has shown a decline from 212 per 100,000 live births in the period 2007-09 to 178 per 100,000 live births in the period 2010-12 and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) has declined from 47 per 1000 live births in the year 2010 to 42 per 1000 live births in 2012.

(c) The RGI-SRS provides MMR for the country and major states at 3-year intervals. The latest data on MMR for 2007-09 and 2010-12 is placed below: