

Appointment of Orthopaedics and Ophthalmists in CGHS dispensaries

†2892. SHRI ISHWARLAL SHANKARLAL JAIN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to appoint orthopaedicians and eye specialists (ophthalmists) in CGHS dispensaries;

(b) whether CGHS beneficiaries are facing a lot of problems due to absence of these doctors in the dispensaries and especially the senior citizens;

(c) whether there is a shortage of orthopaedicians and ophthalmists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN): (a) to (d) As per existing policy GDMOs are posted in CGHS Wellness Centres. However, in selected Wellness Centres, specialists visit such Wellness Centres on earmarked days. Whenever required, CGHS beneficiaries are referred to these specialists in the Wellness Centre (including orthopaedic and eye) or to specialists posted in Government hospitals and at times also to specialists of empanelled private hospitals.

Pre-natal care facility for expecting mothers

2893. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the proportion of expecting mothers in the country who receive pre-natal care within two weeks of delivery, State-wise;

(b) whether Government is considering any changes to Janani Suraksha Yojana to improve the provision of pre-natal care to the expecting mothers; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN): (a) The proportion of mothers who received check up within two weeks of delivery (post natal care) as per the District Level Household and Facility Survey (DLHS-III in 2007-08) is 49.5%. State wise data is given in Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) Incentive to ASHAs (Accredited Social Health Activists) for promoting institutional delivery under Janani Suraksha Yojana has been made uniform and composite from financial year 2013-14 wherein ASHAs are incentivised for facilitating antenatal care and institutional delivery of pregnant mothers as under:

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