Referred surgery cases pending at AIIMS, Delhi

2687. SHRI K.K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of referred cases for various surgeries are pending with AIIMS, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of such pending cases under various departments;

(c) what are the steps taken by Government to address such pending cases; and

(d) whether lack of capacity of others AIIMS is the reason for such influx of referred cases for such surgery to AIIMS, Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) According to patient's condition, the various clinical departments make their own waiting list of patients needing surgeries in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) New Delhi. This waiting period for elective and non-emergency procedures can be upto 3-6 months.

(c) and (d) The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi being the premier institute receives complicated cases from all over the country. Efforts are continually made to augment infrastructure in AIIMS so that services can be further scaled up. Various steps are being taken in this direction, including construction of New OPD Block, Surgical Block, Mother and Child Centre and National Cancer Institute.

Expanding scope of NRHM

[†]2688. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is contemplating any scheme for expansion of National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) by removing the corruption prevailing therein, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of Government's plan to ensure availability of main basic services in the primary health centres/district hospitals and the availability of life-saving drugs under this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) There is no such proposal with the Government.

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