Augmenting dialysis treatment facilities

2059. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that a very limited infrastructural facilities are available in the country for dialysis treatment-Heamodialysis and Peritoneal dialysis across the country; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government to augment the dialysis treatment facilities and also reduce the cost of dialysis treatment?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) Data regarding availability of infrastructural facilities for dialysis treatment in the country is not maintained centrally.

Health being a State subject, it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to provide health care including dialysis facilities for the patients. The Central Government through the hospitals under it, supplements the efforts of the State Governments.

Dialysis facility is available at the Central Government Hospitals including All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi; Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Delhi; Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi; Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry; Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh; North Eastern Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Health and Medical Sciences (NEIGRIHMS), Shillong; and Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Imphal.

To enhance treatment facilities, the Central Government has approved setting up of AIIMS type of institutions in 9 States. Assistance for upgradation of tertiary care facilities at 70 medical colleges is also approved.

State Governments can also consider providing dialysis services at District Hospitals through Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) mode under National Health Mission. A scheme for dialysis has also been announced in the 2016-17 budget speech by the Finance Minister.

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2060. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the absence of a proper network of all blood banks in the country, patients are sometimes facing difficulty in getting the required group of blood;