

Network of coagulation labs

1877. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up a network of coagulation labs across the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the fresh steps taken by Government to cut down maternal deaths due to coagulation and also for early diagnosis of congenial bleeding disorders such as haemophilia and Von Willebrand disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE): (a) and (b) Public Health being a State subject, the responsibility to set up such labs lie with the State/UT Governments. No such decision to set up network of coagulation labs across the country has been taken by the Central Government.

The Government of India has already shared several strategies with the State Governments for identification and management of high risk pregnant women to prevent maternal deaths. In addition, Government of India has also launched the Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) which is a fixed day Ante Natal Care (ANC) service on 9th of every month for pregnant women by Obstetricians and Gynaecologists/Medical officer. The key objective of PMSMA is to identify the high risk women which are followed by treatment and management of the predisposed high risk condition.

Child-birth related maternal deaths

1878. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in India, five women die every hour during child-birth and child-birth related deaths account for 17 per cent of such deaths globally according to WHO's findings;.

(b) whether such deaths are attributed to poor health of mothers, anaemia-related post-partum haemorrhages and deficient medical facilities; and

(c) whether a recently released advisory by AYUSH Ministry has called for abstaining from non-vegetarian food, sex and lustful thoughts etc. to curb the maternal and infant mortality rates and if so, whether this advisory has any scientific backing?