

In addition to this, States are encouraged to do prescription audit to improve the quality of care provided by the health facilities and also to ensure prescription of generic and rational use of drugs. Standard Treatment guidelines (STGs) have been developed for ensuring rational use of drugs and preventing all forms of wastages.

Funds for Cancer Institute in M.P.

†1853. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a demand was placed for provision of funds to be provided by Government for setting up a Cancer Institute in Madhya Pradesh *vide* letter No. 4448/yovi/0/20 dated 4/12/17; and

(b) if so, the details of the funds released so far and yet to be released for completion of the project in public interest and by when the remaining funds will be released to complete the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) and (b) A request was received by Directorate General of Health Services (Dte. GHS) in the Ministry, from the Office of Commissioner Medical Education, Madhya Pradesh *vide* letter No. 4487/Yovi/2/2017 dated 04.12.2017, for approval of Tertiary Care Cancer Centre at MGM Medical College, Indore.

The Government of India is implementing Strengthening of Tertiary Care Cancer facilities scheme under which support is given for setting up of Tertiary Care Cancer Centre (TCCC). The proposal of setting up of TCCC at MGM Medical College, Indore was not considered initially because for the State of Madhya Pradesh proposals for setting up of two TCCCs one at G.R. Medical College, Gwalior and other at District Hospital, Vidisha were already received against two TCCCs allocated to the State. In the meanwhile, as per the approval for extension of the scheme, there is no provision for financial support for setting up of new TCCCs. Therefore, the proposal of setting up of TCCC at MGM Medical College, Indore cannot be considered. In the State of Madhya Pradesh, under the scheme, with the recommendation of the State Government, setting up of one TCCC has already been approved at G. R. Medical College, Gwalior and 1st installment of Central share released to the State Government.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.