GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3144 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD MARCH, 2021

QUALITY ASSESSMENT OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS

3144 SHRI SANJAY SETH: SHRI RAJEEV SATAV:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the quality of medical or diagnostic equipments used in Government hospitals and, if so, the details of the assessment;
- (b) whether most of the medical or diagnostic equipments used in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and other leading Government hospitals are not of international standards;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of Government thereto;
- (d) whether there is a shortage of such equipments in Government hospitals, medical colleges, affiliated hospitals including AIIMS; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the remedial steps taken or being taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) to (c): The medical or diagnostic equipments procured for All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) as well as other leading Central Government Hospitals are as per requirement of different disciplines and Departments. Further specification for the medical/diagnostic equipment procured are recommended by Technical Specification Committee consisting of technical experts of the field, drawn from Institutes of National Importance (INIs) /AIIMS, and other renowned hospitals, keeping in view the relevant international quality standards.
- (d) & (e): Procurement of medical equipment is a continuous process and the same is procured as per requirement of the Institutes as per the extant rules/guidelines.