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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 262 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19th July, 2022

AGITATION BY NURSING UNION OF AIIMS, NEW DELHI

262. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

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

- (a) whether an agitation was organised by the office bearers of the Nursing Union of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, in April 2022, demanding removal of pay discrepancies and improvement in service conditions which led to postponement of many operations; and
- (b) if so, the details of such postponed operations and the number of patients who become more serious due to the postponement of operations?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) & (b): There was an abrupt cessation of work by the Nursing Staff posted in main Operation Theatre (OT) Complex of AIIMS, New Delhi on 22.04.2022 which led to disruption of work and postponement of scheduled operations. Out of total 60 operations scheduled for 22.04.2022, 55 got postponed due to disruption of work in main OT. Again on 23.04.2022, there was a delay of one hour in starting OT by the agitating nurses, which led to postponement of 07 operations, out of 31 scheduled for the day. No patient became more serious due to postponement of scheduled operations. All emergency operations were taken up in other OTs not affected by the agitation.
