

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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MACHINES OUT OF ORDER IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received any complaint that in Government hospitals in Delhi viz. R.M.L., Safdarjung and AIIMS the ultra sound and CT scan machines are not working properly and patients are advised by doctors and staff to go to particular private test centres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI A.RAJA)

(a) to (c): The Ultrasound and CT Scan Machines are functioning normally in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Safdargung Hospita and All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS). However, due to regular wear and tear the machines sometime become non-functional for which tie-up arrangements have been made for investigations among the Central Government Hospitals. No patient is being referred to any private clinic for any test, but in view of the long waiting list for various investigations, the patients who come from far off places may prefer to get it done privately so that they can get medical advice without wasting time.