

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

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WATER SHORTAGE IN SAFDARJUNG HOSPITAL
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that there was no water in taps in Safdarjung Hospital as reported in the Hindustan Times dated July 10,2003 ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the situation?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. During that period there was shortage of water for a day in some of the wards located on the higher floor in Safdarjung Hospital because of inadequate availability of water as well as low pressure. However, the works were managed with the stored water and the situation of the supply of water improved next day. To overcome the shortage of water supply, the Chairman of High Powered Idgah Abattoir Committee constituted by the Delhi High Court for supply of adequate and wholesome drinking water in Delhi has asked the representatives of Delhi Jal Board and NDMC for adopting all possible measures to augment the water supply to Safdarjung Hospital to meet its water requirement.