

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up Pace Maker Bank in Government Hospitals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c): There is no proposal to set up Pace Maker Bank in Government Hospitals. Pacemaker implantation is required for specific indication and specification of pacemaker required varies from patient to patient. The same is therefore not stocked in Government hospital. However, in case of patients below the poverty line, the device is supplied free of cost under the Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi.