

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

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CARDIAC SURGERY IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Cardiac surgery treatment in Safdarjung Hospital is comparatively cheaper than All India Institute of Medical Sciences;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor ;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the percentage of successful Cardiac surgery treatment in Safdarjung Hospital is less than that of All India Institute of Medical Sciences ;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor ;
- (e) whether the Government is taking any steps for the appointment of specialist Cardiac surgery team in order to improve the quality of Cardiac treatment in Safdarjung ; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

- (a) to (d): The treatment of cardiac surgery in the Safdarjung Hospital is cheaper than in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences(AIIMS) because a number of components of medical health care including certain medicines and disposable items are provided free of cost to the patients. The percentage of success of cardiac surgery in Safdarjung Hospital is as good as in any good cardiac centre in the country including AIIMS.
- (e) to (f): All the four sanctioned posts of Cardio-thoracic Surgeons are duly filled and as such there is no proposal to appoint any special team of Cardio-thoracic surgeons.