

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

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SETTING UP OF NEW INSTITUTES ON HEALTH CARE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a proposal to start two IIT like new institutes on health care ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) whether the Government has also any plan to establish National Institute of Preventive Community Health to train specialists in preventive and community health in Country;
- (d) if so, the details of the number of institutes to be established, location-wise;
- (e) the amount allocated for establishment of this institute ;
- (f) whether any time schedule has been fixed for establishment of this institute ; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (g): Keeping in view the paucity of good public health professionals in the country, mechanisms have been considered to strengthen the architecture of public health in India by establishing new institutes of public health of the level of IITs and IIMs and upscalling the existing institutions which provide training in public health. In this context, a 2-day National Consultation on `Institutes of Public Health in India: Moving from Concept to Reality` was held on 16-17 September, 2004 to work out modalities to take this initiative forward.