

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

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CLINICAL TESTS IN HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the patients have to wait for very long time to avail different clinical tests facilities in all Central Government Hospitals including the All India Institute of Medical Sciences;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure conducting of clinical tests in hospitals in lesser time; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : In so far as the three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi, are concerned, facilities of emergency investigations are available round the clock. However, due to heavy patient load, there is some waiting time for routine & special investigations. To ease the pressure on these hospitals, CGHS has empanelled private diagnostic labs for conducting such tests for CGHS beneficiaries. Additionally, the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna, envisages the establishment of AIIMS like institutions in six States and Upgradation of 13 institutions. This would reduce the pressure on Central Government hospitals in Delhi.