

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1153  
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STAFF QUARTER IN BELGAUM  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the staff quarters constructed by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) in Belgaum have been lying vacant for a long time ;
- (b) if so, the reasons for keeping them vacant;
- (c) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested the ICMR to hand over these quarters to the State Government for housing their officers posted at Belgaum; and
- (d) if so, the reactions of the Union Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): It is not correct to say that staff quarters constructed by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) in Belgaum, have been lying vacant for a long time. According to ICMR, the staff quarters constructed by State (PWD), Karnataka for RMRC, Belgaum, was taken over by the Council only in 2004 after an Officer-in-Charge was designated. The electricity connection was obtained only in late 2004. These quarters would be allotted to the staff of the Institute once the ongoing civil works are completed and requisite staff deployed. According to ICMR no request from the State Government for handing over the quarters have been received.