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To

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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
Government of India,
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

Sub: **Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 291 for 23.03.2021 regarding "Fire Safety Audits in Government Hospitals".**

Ref: **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, (Hospital-I Section) Government of India, New Delhi letter No. H. 11017/09/2021-H-I dated 17th March, 2021 received vide e-mail dt 17th March, 2021.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to furnish the desired information about the **Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 291 for 23.03.2021 regarding "Fire Safety Audits in Government Hospitals"** for information and taking further necessary action at your end: -

Sl. No.	Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 291 for 23.03.2021 regarding "Fire Safety Audits in Government Hospitals"	Reply
(a)	Whether frequent fire audits are conducted in the Central Government Hospitals, if so, the details thereof and if not, the details therefor:	Fire audits are conducted periodically at AIIMS, Bhubaneswar, by the State Fire Services, Govt of Odisha. In addition, internal audits are also regularly conducted at the Institute by the Fire Safety Team under the supervision of Fire Safety Committee, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar.
(b)	Whether there are standard protocols in place for fire-safety management in Government Hospitals; and	Yes, there are standard protocols for fire safety management in AIIMS, Bhubaneswar.
(c)	The manner in which these audits are monitored?	The audit reports are reviewed by the Fire Safety Committee of the Institute and necessary action is taken by the committee in consultation with the Engineering Department of AIIMS, Bhubaneswar.

However, reply to the Probable Supplementary Questions on the above cited Rajya Sabha Question are also furnished as under:-


Sl. No.	Probable Supplementary Questions of Rajya Sabha Starred Question 291 for 23.03.2021	Reply
(i)	Safety of the hospital is also related to safe buildings, Lifts, etc. and for his purpose, it is understood that obtaining of clearances such as an occupancy certificate etc. from the concerned agency is required before making the health care facilities operational. Procedure followed for making health care facilities operational is required.	Fire Safety Procedure already followed to make the AIIMS Hospital Bhubaneswar operational.
(ii)	Age of the Hospital/Institute Buildings/Blocks-wise?	8-9 years(The blocks were constructed in the year 2012).
(iii)	Whether third party safety audit was done of the Hospital earlier. If yes, the details may be provided.	Safety Audits have been done by Odisha Fire Services, Govt of Odisha.

(iv)	How many buildings/blocks of the Hospital are new and have necessary certificate audit from the agency concerned.	New Buildings are under construction.
(v)	Age and Number of older Hospital Buildings/Blocks. Whether these buildings/blocks have safety certificate from the agency alongwith their validity. If no, the reason therefor.	8-9 Years. Fire NOC is under process.
(vi)	Details of the steps taken to make them safe.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inspection by Odisha Fire Services was done for the existing facilities at the Institute. 2. Fire Safety Committee has been constituted. 3. A dedicated Fire Safety Team has been deployed on 24x7 basis. 4. Internal audits being carried out at regular intervals. 5. Mock Drills / Evacuation drills conducted periodically. 6. Reports by the Fire Safety team is reviewed by the committee periodically for necessary actions.
(vii)	What is procedure available for making Hospital operational?	The hospital in the Institute is already operational with fire safety measures.
(viii)	Whether occupancy certificate, lift operation certificate, etc. are available in case of your Hospital. Details may be provided.	Under Process. (In addition, Annual maintenance contract with the third-party agencies has been executed for various services.)
(ix)	Is there any incident regarding lapse of safety in your hospital in last three years? Details may be provided.	Nil
(x)	Whether any notice from agency concerned was received by your hospital in this regard	Nil
(xi)	Whether all these blocks have fire safety certificate from Fire Department of the respective State.	Under Process by Odisha Fire Services, Govt of Odisha.
(xii)	In case, some of the blocks/buildings have fire safety certificate from Fire Department of the respective State, their details may be provided.	Under Process by Odisha Fire Services, Govt of Odisha.
(xiii)	Reasons for non-availability of fire safety certificate in respect of other blocks/buildings may be provided.	Under Process by Odisha Fire Services, Govt of Odisha.
(xiv)	Present status of obtaining of fire safety certificate in respect of these blocks/buildings may be provided.	Under Process by Odisha Fire Services, Govt of Odisha.
(xv)	Constrained being faced by the Hospital for obtaining fire certificate may also be provided	Considering the recommended requirements by the Odisha Fire Services, necessary works have already been initiated for fire safety.
(xvi)	Arrangements/mechanism available in the Hospitals to deal with specific date of completion.	The various activities are being monitored by the Fire Safety Committee.
(xvii)	Whether fire response plan is available in the hospital/Institute.	Yes
(xviii)	If not, the reason and status of preparation of fire response plan with specific date of completion.	Not Applicable.
(xix)	Steps taken to make Doctors, Hospital Staff, Patients, their Attendants, Caregivers, etc. aware regarding their role in case of fire incidents.	Periodic awareness and trainings are conducted along with mock drills.
(xx)	No. of drill organized during last three year and current year (2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017) in this regard.	2014 - 4 2015 - 4 2016 - 4 2017 - 4 2018 - 4 2019 - 4 2020 - 3 2021 - 1

(xxi)	Details of manpower such as fire safety officer/fire guards etc. specially employed to take care fire safety measures and to response fire incidents.	Fire Officer -01 Fire Men- 04 (Outsourced) Fire Supervisor 01 (Outsourced).
(xxii)	Information sought in enclosed para may also be provided.	Available information provided.
(xxiii)	Any other information relevant to prepare note for pad for Hon'ble HFM may be provided.	Available information provided.

This is issued with the approval of the Director, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar.

भवदीय /Yours faithfully,


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