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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**QUESTION NO 3645**

ANSWERED ON 06.09.2011

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3645 SHRIMATI RENUBALA PRADHAN

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to satate :-

(a) whether Government has taken any initiative to resolve the issue of continuation and enhancement of Patient Care Allowance (PCA) at par with Nursing Allowance which is also given for similar purpose to Nurses, as it was proposed to be withdrawn due to contrary recommendation of Sixth Central Pay Commission (CPC); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

(a) & (b): No action has been initiated by the Government to enhance the Patient Care Allowance (PCA) at par with Nursing Allowance at this stage as Sixth Central Pay Commission, an expert body for these purposes, has recommendations for replacement of PCA with Risk Insurance Scheme and this has been accepted by the Government. However, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has requested Department of Personnel and Training to consider for continuation of HPCA/PCA to the employees, who are in receipt of the same at present. ....

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