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Respected Shri Habibullah ji and Shri Hazarika ji,

I am honoured to receive your letter of April, 19, 2020. You have raised a valid point about hardship being faced by patients with non-COVID medical conditions in the wake of the nation-wide lockdown. To impose curbs of health services is a difficult decision, but was needed given the propensity of SARS-cov-2 infectivity in close contact situation such as crowded outpatient departments. Also, hospitals are thronged by patients with multiple morbidities and transmission of disease from one infected person to such patients could be disastrous.

I do agree that as we move towards relaxations, it should be a priority to start opening hospitals as well as outreach health services without compromising our fight against COVID-19. We will work on this premise as suggested by you.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
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