

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2846
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2018**

AYUSHMAAN BHARAT YOJANA

2846. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

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

- (a) whether Government has announced the launch of a new health insurance scheme called 'Ayushman Bharat Yojana' under which all the poor families in the country are proposed to be covered;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether many States have announced not to join this scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) & (b): In the Budget of 2018-19, the Government has announced to launch a flagship National Health Protection Scheme (NHPS) to cover over 10 crore poor and vulnerable families (approx. 50 crore beneficiaries) providing coverage upto Rs. 5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary hospitalization. The contours of the scheme are being worked out.

(c) & (d): This Ministry has not received any reference from any State intimating that they are not joining this scheme.