

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3607
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH MARCH, 2018**

HIGH MORTALITY FROM CANCER

3607. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

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

- (a) whether death rate due to cancer is very high in the country and according to the report of Indian Council of Medical Research death rate due to cancer may reach at higher levels in coming years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the number of oncologists is very low in proportion to cancer patients; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIAY PATEL)**

(a) & (b): Yes, age adjusted mortality rate is 79.5 and 69.3 per lakh population for males and females respectively.

(c) & (d): Health, being a State subject, no central data is maintained to suggest that the number of oncologist is very low in proportion to cancer patients.

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