

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4146  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL, 2018**

**DISTRICTS WITH POOR HEALTHCARE FACILITIES**

4146. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA:

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

- (a) whether Government has identified some districts in the country as most backward in health care;
- (b) if so, the details thereof particularly those located in Assam and other North Eastern States;
- (c) whether Government has decided to make available basic services in the health sector in these districts; and
- (d) if so, whether Government has finalized the action plan for a Uniform Policy to bring the backward districts at par?

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

(a): Government has identified certain High Priority Districts (HPDs) that have relatively poor health indicators.

(b): The list is annexed.

(C) & (d): The High Priority Districts (HPDs) receive focused health care interventions under National Rural Health Mission. These districts have higher per capita funding, relaxed norms, enhanced monitoring and focused supportive supervision, and are encouraged to adopt innovative approaches to address their peculiar health challenges.

**Annexure**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Name of High Priority Districts (HPDs)</b>
1	Arunachal Pradesh	Upper Subansiri, East Kameng, KurungKumey, Lower Subansiri, Tawang, Tirap, Namsai
2	Assam	Karimganj, Hailakandi, Dhubri, Nagaon, Chirang, Cachar, KarbiAnglong, Goalpara, Darrang, Barpeta, Baksa, Udalgiri
3	Manipur	Ukhrul, Tamenglong, Chandel
4	Meghalaya	Jaintia Hills, West Khasi Hills, East Garo Hills, Ribhoi
5	Mizoram	Mamit, Lawngtlai, Lunglei, Saiha
6	Nagaland	Kiphire, Mon, Tuensang, Longleng
7	Sikkim	West District, East District
8	Tripura	Dhalai, North Tripura