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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No-1566
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2022

AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL MISSION IN RURAL INDIA

1566 : SHRI HARBHAJAN SINGH

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

(a) whether Government has taken any steps to improve the digital infrastructure of the hospitals and nursing homes for effective implementation of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission in rural India;

(b) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c)   the total number of individuals living in the rural areas whose health IDs have been made by Government?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (c): Government of India has launched Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) which aims to create a platform enabling interoperability of health data within the health ecosystem to create longitudinal Electronic Health Record (EHR) of every citizen.

Government of India provides financial assistance to all States/UTs under National Health Mission to improve health infrastructure including IT infrastructure.

Further Government of India has also provided financial assistance to all States/UTs under ECRP-II for strengthening of IT infrastructure for implementation of IT interventions including Hospital Management Information System (HMIS) and telemedicine services across country.

To ensure effective implementation of ABDM, Union Health Ministry has provisioned financial assistance to States/UTs for Human resources, Information Education & Communication (IEC), capacity building to drive this mission including necessary handholding support in on-boarding the facilities/ health professionals and to integrate all state health digital health programmes/solutions under ABDM ecosystem.

As on 15th December 2022, a total 29,35,58,579 Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) number has been created.

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