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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 772
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13th DECEMBER, 2022**

**FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO HEALTH PROJECTS IN
WEST BENGAL**

772: SRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI

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

- (a) the details of major health projects in West Bengal which are receiving financial and technical support from the Ministry;
- (b) the benefits to be accrued to the people therefrom; and
- (c) whether any zones have been earmarked in the State which require specific programmes for the eradication of chronic local diseases, and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
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(a) to (c): The primary responsibility of strengthening public healthcare system including up gradation and strengthening of existing health facilities lies with respective State/UT. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), under NHM provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs including West Bengal to strengthen their public healthcare system. Proposal from State Government of West Bengal is received in the form of Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) and after appraisal, approvals are given in the form of Record of Proceedings (RoPs) as per resource envelope of the State. Under NHM, support for an amount of Rs 4740.49 Crore and Rs. 4198.32 Crore have been approved in FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 respectively to the State of West Bengal. The details of PIPs and RoPs for the past years i.r.o. West Bengal are available at website of National Health Mission www.nhm.gov.in at the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) as under: <https://nhm.gov.in/index4.php?lang=1&level=0&linkid=62&lid=75>.

Central Releases under National Health Mission (NHM) for the last three financial years and current year to the State of West Bengal is as under:

Name of the State	Central Releases under NHM (Rs. in crore)			
	F.Y. 2019-20	F.Y. 2020-21	F.Y. 2021-22	F.Y. 2022-23
West Bengal	1749.32	1895.01	1654.26	814.30

Note: The above releases relate to Central Govt. Grants and do not include State share contribution. It is updated upto 28.11.2022.

Under **Ayushman Bharat**, the existing Sub-health Centres (SHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) are upgraded into Ayushman Bharat - Health & Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs) to deliver twelve packages of Comprehensive Primary Health Care (CPHC) that includes preventive, promotive, curative, palliative and rehabilitative services which is universal, free and close to the community. As on 12.12.2022, 10,010 Health & Wellness Centres have been operationalized as reported by the State of West Bengal on the AB-HWC Portal

The **PM-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)** is the largest Health Infrastructure scheme in the Country which aims to address the critical gaps in health infrastructural, surveillance and health research – spanning both the urban and rural areas. The scheme has Centrally Sponsored Scheme Components along with some Central Sector Components. Under the CSS components, States/UTs have been supported to strengthen the States' Health Infrastructure. Under the scheme, State of West Bengal is allocated an amount of Rs 2625.16 Crore for implementation period of 2021-22 to 2025-26. The support is provided for Construction of Building-less Sub Health Centres, operationalization of Urban Health & Wellness Centres, establishment of District Integrated Public Health laboratory, 100 bedded Critical Care Blocks and 50 bedded Critical Care Blocks during the scheme period.

The Government of India is implementing **Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY)** which aims correcting regional imbalances in the availability of affordable tertiary healthcare services and to augment facilities for quality medical education in the country. The Scheme has two components viz. (i) Setting up of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and (ii) Upgradation of existing Government Medical Colleges Institutions (GMCIs). So far as State of West Bengal is concerned, 1 AIIMS and 4 GMC projects of upgradation have been approved under the Scheme in various phases. Upgradation of GMCIS

under PMSSY broadly involves construction of Super Speciality Block (SSB) and/or Trauma Centre / or other facilities and/or procurement of medical equipment. The details of the approved projects under PMSSY in West Bengal is placed at Annexure-I.

The following Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCCs) have been approved under the Strengthening of **Tertiary Care Cancer Facilities Scheme under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS)** in order to enhance the facilities for tertiary care of cancer in the state of West Bengal:

- i. Government Medical College, Burdwan (approved cost Rs 39.54 cr)
- ii. Murshidabad Medical College & Hospital, Berhampore, Murshidabad (approved cost Rs 32.15 cr)
- iii. Sagore Dutta Memorial Medical College & Hospital, Kolkata (approved cost Rs 32.15 cr)

The financial assistance is for procurement of radiotherapy equipment, diagnostic equipment, surgical equipment, enhancement of indoor civil work and patient facility for Cancer and such other purposes relevant for diagnosis, treatment and care of Cancer.

The Government, under the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP), implements manpower development scheme of Post Graduate (PG) departments in the mental health specialities. Support has been provided for establishment of 25 Centres of Excellence (Scheme A) and strengthening/ establishment of 47 PG Departments (Scheme B) in the mental health specialities in the country. In West Bengal, two Institutes namely Institute of Psychiatry, Kolkata and Calcutta National Medical College (CNMC), Kolkata have been supported under Scheme A of NMHP. Details of funds released to these Institutes under NMHP is as under:

- i. Institute of Psychiatry, Kolkata : Rs.24.9 crore
- ii. CNMC, Kolkata : Rs.17.82 crore

National Programme on Antimicrobial Resistance Containment under umbrella scheme “Establishment and strengthening of National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) branches and Health Initiatives, Inter-sectoral coordination for preparation and control of zoonotic Diseases and other neglected tropical diseases, surveillance of Viral Hepatitis, Anti

Microbial Resistance (AMR)”, was initiated during the 12th five-year plan (2012-17) and is coordinated by NCDC, MoHFW. Under the programme State medical college labs are strengthened in a phased manner for AMR surveillance and containment activities. In the year 2020-21, School of Tropical Medicine, Kolkata, West Bengal was included under the programme. The lab is supported with funds for recruiting manpower, purchase of equipment and consumable. The network labs are to carry out various activities for AMR containment including submission of AMR surveillance data for pathogens of public health importance, antimicrobial use surveillance and develop antibiograms for guiding the development of local antibiotic policy. The programme encompasses the benefits which includes strengthening of the Microbiology Department, Burdwan Medical College to carry out surveillance of viral hepatitis and estimate the burden of viral hepatitis in the State of West Bengal.

Govt. of India launched Kala-azar Elimination (KAE) programme in four endemic States (Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh). It is a 100% centrally sponsored scheme wherein the cost of material and equipment are borne by Government of India . Kala-azar is targeted for elimination by 2023. Target of elimination is to reduce the number of Kala-azar cases to <1 case per 10,000 population at block level. At the end of 2021, out of 120 Kala-azar endemic blocks in West Bengal , all have attained annual incidence of <1 case per 10,000 population at block level.

Govt. of India launched Elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis (ELF) programme in 20 States/UTs including West Bengal. The States/UTs are responsible for implementation of the programme, whereas NCVBDC provides technical and financial assistance to the States/UTs in the form of cash and commodity, under the overarching umbrella scheme of the National Health Mission (NHM). Lymphatic Filariasis is targeted for elimination by 2030. In West Bengal, 19 endemic districts are targeted for LF elimination which are : 24-Parganas North, 24-Parganas South, Bankura, Basirhat HD, Birbhum, Bishnupur HD, Cooch-Behar, Diamond Harbour HD, Jhargram, Malda, Midhnapur East, Midhnapur West, Murshidabad, Nadia, Nandigram HD, Paschim Bardhaman, Purba Bardhaman, Purulia, Rampurhat HD

During 2022-23 and 2023-24, for West Bengal, an amount of Rs. 74.11 Crore has been allocated under NHM for all six vector borne diseases (including KA and LF).

Annexure -I**Details of the approved projects under PMSSY in the State of West Bengal**

S.No.	Name of the College/Institute	Phase	Approved outlay (Rs. Cr)			Facilities envisaged
			Central	State	Total	
AIIMS Project						
1.	AIIMS Kalyani	IV	1754	-	1754	960 beds with 12 Speciality and 15 Super- Speciality Departments along with Emergency Trauma Beds, AYUSH Beds, Private Beds and ICU Speciality & Super Speciality beds. In addition, a Medical College with 100 under graduate (MBBS) seats and 60 B.Sc. (Nursing) seats, AYUSH Block. Auditorium, Night Shelter, Guest House, Hostels and residential facilities.
GMC Upgradation Project						
1.	Kolkata Medical College, Kolkata	I	100	20	120	OPD Block; Academic Block; and 235 bedded Super Speciality Block, with 10 OTs
2.	B.S. Medical College, Bankura	III	120	30	150	250 bedded Super Speciality Block, with 6 OTs
3.	Govt. Medical College, Malda	III	120	30	150	201 bedded Trauma Care Centre Emergency Medical Block, with 9 OTs
4.	North Bengal Medical College. Siliguri	III	120	30	150	255 bedded Super Speciality Block with 8 OTs
