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

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 290 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28TH MARCH, 2023

BUDGET REDUCTION IN NHM AND PMSSY

290 # SHRI SANDEEP KUMAR PATHAK:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that reduction has been made in the budget of National Health Mission (NHM) for the year 2023-24 as compared to the year 2022-23, if so, the amount of reduction and the reasons therefor; and
- (b) 'whether it is also a fact that, for the construction and development of institutions like AIIMS in the backward areas in terms of health facility, there has been heavy reduction in the budget of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) in the year 2023-24 in comparison to the year 2022-23, if so, the amount of reduction and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) & (b) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 290 * FOR 28TH MARCH, 2023

(a) & (b) With the objective of attainment of universal access to equitable, affordable and quality health care services, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare is implementing National Health Mission. Government provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs for improvement in health infrastructure, availability of adequate human resources to man health facilities, to improve availability and accessibility to quality health care especially for the underserved and marginalized groups.

Under National Health Mission (NHM), during the F.Y. 2023-24, Rs 29,085.26 crore has been allocated in Budget Estimate (BE) as against the BE of Rs 28,859.73 crore for the F.Y. 2022-23.

The Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) aims at 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, namely, (i) Setting up of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS); and (ii) Upgradation of existing Government Medical Colleges/Institutions (GMCIs). The establishment of AIIMS includes setting up of Medical College, Nursing College, Hospital, Trauma Centre, Emergency, Blood Bank, ICU, Diagnostic & Pathology, Research facilities etc. Up-gradation of GMCIs under PMSSY broadly involves construction of Super Specialty Block (SSB) and/or Trauma Centre / or other facilities and/or procurement of medical equipment. So far setting up of 22 New AIIMS and 75 projects of upgradation of GMCIs have been approved under the Scheme in various phases.

The budgetary allocation has increased in PMSSY from Rs. 8269.56 crore (RE 2022-23) to Rs. 10,200 crore (BE 2023-24). The budget heads of PMSSY have been reorganized in accordance with the observations of the Department of Expenditure. Out of Rs. 8269.56 crore (RE in 2022-23), Rs. 2786.43 crore was earmarked/allocated Capital Expenditure which has now been increased to Rs. 3365 crore in BE 2023-24. The remaining Rs. 5483.13 crore out of Rs. 8269.56 crore (RE 2022-23) was under Revenue head which was provisioned for running expenses of AIIMS (grant-in-aid under general capital and salary). The running expenses have now been migrated to a new Head "Establishment Expenditure of New AIIMS" where enhanced allocation of Rs. 6835 crore has been provided in BE 2023-24.