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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1530 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH MARCH, 2023

FUNDS UNDER AYUSHMAN BHARAT SCHEME

1530. SMT. PRIYANKA CHATURVEDI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the release of funds under the Ayushman Bharat Scheme has been low, i.e., 18 per cent of the Revised Estimates;
- (b) whether Government has any data on time taken to settle the claims; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (c): Under Ayushman Bharat- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), the Revised Estimates(RE) for the Financial Year 2022-23 is Rs. 6412 crore out of which Rs. 5567.56 crore has been released to States/UTs as part of the Central share of funds as of 7th March 2023. This corresponds to over 86% of the RE for the current financial year. Government of India releases Central share of funds to States/UTs only after upfront release of proportionate State/UT share. Nationally, on an average, claims payment varies between 50-60 days.
