

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2355  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2023**

**TELEPATHOLOGY IN TREATMENT OF CRITICAL DISEASES**

**2355 SMT. SANGEETA YADAV:**

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

- (a) the state of telepathology in treatment of critical diseases;
- (b) the role it is playing in diagnosis and treatment of patients;
- (c) whether patients from rural areas particularly women are also getting benefits of telepathology in treatment of critical diseases;
- (d) if so, the number of beneficiaries in the last five years; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (e)** Telepathology in India is still at a nascent stage. There is no documentary evidence of routine use of Telepathology for patient care. It can play a positive role in treatment of critical diseases.

Currently the diagnosis and treatment of patients through teleconsultation is provided through e-Sanjevani telemedicine platform and the platform has rendered 10.49 crore consultations as on 16<sup>th</sup> march .

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