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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2357 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST MARCH 2023

RATIO OF PTB AND EPTB PATIENTS

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

(a) the ratio of Pulmonary TB (PTB) and Extra Pulmonary TB (EPTB) patients;

- (b) whether it is a fact that the number of EPTB patients are increasing;
- (c) the number of centres in the country having facilities to investigate EPTB; and
- (d) the steps taken to control the increasing number of EPTB cases?

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

(a) to (d): The ratio of pulmonary TB (PTB) and extra pulmonary TB (EPTB) is 3:1 among the notified TB cases reported to the programme and the proportion of extra pulmonary cases has remained constant at 28% over the last 3 years. All the public health hospitals have facilities or are linked to facilities, that can investigate for extra pulmonary TB.
