

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1407
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1ST AUGUST 2023**

PM-ABHIM IN TAMIL NADU

1407: SHRI R. DHARMAR

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

- (a) the features of the Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM):
- (b) whether Government has sanctioned any fund under this mission in Tamil Nadu so far, if so, the details thereof
- (c) whether Government has fixed any target under this mission, if so, the details thereof, and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to cover rural areas under this mission?

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

(a) to (d)

Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) with some Central Sector Components (CS) which has an outlay of Rs.64,180 Crores for the scheme period (2021-22 to 2025-26).

The measures under the scheme focus on developing capacities of health systems and institutions across the continuum of care at all levels viz. primary, secondary and tertiary level and on preparing health systems in responding effectively to the current and future pandemics/disasters. The objective of the scheme is to fill critical gaps in health infrastructure, surveillance and health research – spanning both the urban and rural areas.

The following are the components under CS Component of the scheme:

1. 12 Central Institutions as training and mentoring sites with 150 bedded Critical Care Hospital Blocks (CCBs);
2. Strengthening of the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), 5 New Regional NCDCs and 20 metropolitan health surveillance units;
3. Expansion of the Integrated Health Information Portal to all States/UTs to connect all public health labs;

4. Operationalization of 17 new Public Health Units and strengthening of 33 existing Public Health Units at Points of Entry, that is at 32 Airports, 11 Seaports and 7 land crossings;
5. Setting up of 15 Health Emergency Operation Centres and 2 container based mobile hospitals; and
6. Setting up of a national institution for One Health, 4 New National Institutes for Virology, a Regional Research Platform for WHO South East Asia Region and 9 Bio-Safety Level III laboratories.

Following support is provisioned for States/UTs under CSS component of the scheme:

1. Construction of 17,788 rural Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs). HWCs are to be established at the population of 5000 for plain areas and 3000 in difficult areas - hilly, tribal, desert etc.
2. Support for 11,024 urban Health and Wellness Centres in all the States with the focus on slum like areas. One Urban-HWC is to be set up as per 15,000-20,000 population for catering predominantly to poor and vulnerable populations, residents of slum and slum-like areas.
3. Establishing 3382 Block Public Health Units (BPHUs) at block levels.
4. Setting up of Integrated Public Health Labs (IPHLs) in 730 districts.
5. Establishing Critical Care Hospital Blocks (CCBs) in 602 districts (with population more than 5 lakhs) and with referral linkages in other districts.

Under PM-ABHIM during the scheme period (FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26), support has been provisioned to the State of Tamil Nadu for an amount of Rs.1639.28 Cr. for the establishment of 436 U-HWCs, 38 District IPHLs and 37 CCBs.

Administrative approvals have been accorded under the scheme to State of Tamil Nadu for an amount of Rs.943.95 Crore for the establishment of 38 District IPHLs and 33 CCBs as on 25.07.2023.

An amount of Rs.17.45 Cr. in FY 2021-22, Rs.150.42 Cr. in FY 2022-23 and Rs.47.99 Cr. in FY 2023-24 have been released to the State of Tamil Nadu under PM-ABHIM by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (as on 24.07.2023).
