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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2177 TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th AUGUST, 2023

ACTION PLAN TO CONTROL CANCER DISEASE

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Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of patients with life-threatening cancer has increased rapidly in the country in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the number of people who died of the disease during the last three years, Statewise;
- (c) whether Government has chalked out any action plan to control cancer disease; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (Prof. S P SINGH BAGHEL)

- (a) and (b): As per the Indian Council of Medical Research's National Cancer Registry Programme (ICMR-NCRP), the estimated number of incidences of cancer cases by States / UTs wise during 2020 to 2022 are enclosed in Annexure I and the estimated number of mortalities of cancer cases by State/UTs wise during 2020 to 2022 are enclosed in Annexure II.
- (c) and (d): The Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD), as part of National Health Mission (NHM), based on the proposals received from the States/UTs and subject to the resource envelope. Cancer is an integral part of NP-NCD. The programme focusses on strengthening infrastructure, human resource development, health promotion & awareness generation for Cancer prevention, early diagnosis, management and referral to an appropriate level of healthcare facility for treatment of the Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), including Cancer. Under NP-NCD, 724 District NCD Clinics, 326 District Day Care Centres, and 6110 Community Health Center NCD Clinics have been set up.

A population-based initiative for prevention, control and screening for common NCDs i.e. diabetes, hypertension and common cancers has been rolled out in the country under NHM and also as a part of Comprehensive Primary Health Care. Under the initiative, persons more than 30 years of age are targeted for their screening for the three common cancers i.e oral, breast and cervical. Screening of these common cancers is an integral part of service delivery under Ayushman Bharat – Health and Wellness Centres.

Preventive aspect of Cancer is strengthened under Comprehensive Primary Health Care through Ayushman Bharat Health Wellness Centre scheme, by promotion of wellness activities and targeted communication at the community level. Other initiatives for increasing public awareness about Cancer and for promotion of healthy lifestyle includes observation of National Cancer Awareness Day and use of print, electronic and social media for community awareness. Furthermore, healthy eating is also promoted through FSSAI. Fit India movement is implemented by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, and various Yoga related activities are carried out by Ministry of AYUSH. In addition, NPCDCS gives financial support under NHM for awareness generation (IEC) activities for Cancer to be undertaken by the States/UTs as per their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

The Central Government is also implementing Strengthening of Tertiary Care of Cancer Scheme in order to enhance the facilities for tertiary care of cancer. 19 State Cancer Institutes (SCIs) and 20 Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCCs) have been approved under the said scheme.

There is also focus on Oncology in its various aspects in case of new AIIMS including AIIMS Jodhpur and many upgraded institutions under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna (PMSSY). Setting up of National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar (Haryana) and second campus of Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata are also steps in this direction. All these enhance the capacity for treatment of cancer in the country.

Cancer is diagnosed and treated at various levels in the health care facilities. The treatment in Government Hospitals is either free or highly subsidized for the poor and needy. Treatment of Cancers is also available under Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY). Besides, quality generic medicines are made available at affordable prices to all, under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) in collaboration with the State Governments. Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment (AMRIT) Pharmacy stores have been set up in some hospitals/institutions, with an objective to make available Cancer drugs at a substantial discount vis-à-vis the Maximum Retail Price.

Estimated incidence of cancer cases in India by States/UTs wise - All sites (ICD10: C00-C97) - (2020-2022) - both sexes					
State	2020	2021	2022		
Jammu & Kashmir	12726	13060	13395		
Ladakh	286	294	302		
Himachal Pradesh	8799	8978	9164		
Punjab	38636	39521	40435		
Chandigarh	1024	1053	1088		
Uttaranchal	11482	11779	12065		
Haryana	29219	30015	30851		
Delhi	25178	25969	26735		
Rajasthan	70987	72825	74725		
Uttar Pradesh	201319	206088	210958		
Bihar	103711	106435	109274		
Sikkim	445	465	496		
Arunachal Pradesh	1035	1064	1087		
Nagaland	1768	1805	1854		
Manipur	1899	2022	2097		
Mizoram	1837	1919	1985		
Tripura	2574	2623	2715		
Meghalaya	2879	2943	3025		
Assam	37880	38834	39787		
West Bengal	108394	110972	113581		
Jharkhand	33961	34910	35860		
Orissa	50692	51829	52960		
Chhattisgarh	27828	28529	29253		
Madhya Pradesh	77888	79871	81901		
Gujarat	69660	71507	73382		
Daman	124	135	150		
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	206	219	238		
Maharashtra	116121	118906	121717		
Telangana	47620	48775	49983		
Andhra Pradesh	70424	71970	73536		
Karnataka	85968	88126	90349		
Goa	1618	1652	1700		
Lakshadweep	27	28	28		
Kerala	57155	58139	59143		
Tamil Nadu	88866	91184	93536		
Pondicherry	1577	1623	1679		
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	366	380	393		
Total	13,92,179	14,26,447	14,61,427		

Annexure II

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State	2020	2021	2022
Jammu & Kashmir	7027	7211	7396
Ladakh UT	162	166	171
Himachal pradesh	4856	4953	5058
Punjab	22276	22786	23301
Chandigarh	564	582	598
Uttaranchal	6337	6500	6655
Haryana	16109	16543	16997
Delhi	14057	14494	14917
Rajasthan	39111	40117	41167
Uttar pradesh	111491	114128	116818
Bihar	57531	59043	60629
Sikkim	276	288	308
Arunachal pradesh	635	655	670
Nagaland	1008	1029	1060
Manipur	1105	1175	1220
Mizoram	1183	1231	1271
Tripura	1571	1600	1651
Meghalaya	1887	1928	1980
Assam	22824	23395	23974
West bengal	59786	61213	62652
Jharkhand	18716	19241	19766
Orissa	28024	28656	29287
Chattisgarh	15279	15666	16057

Madhya pradesh	42966	44056	45176
Gujarat	38306	39328	40356
Daman	66	70	77
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	109	117	128
Maharashtra	63797	65326	66879
Telangana	26038	26681	27339
Andhra pradesh	38582	39443	40307
Karnataka	47113	48290	49516
Goa	893	909	932
Lakshadweep	13	14	14
Kerala	31166	31713	32271
Tamil nadu	48314	49571	50841
Pondicherry	852	879	905
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	200	205	214
Total	7,70,230	7,89,202	8,08,558