

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2191  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2023**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF AB-PMJAY**

**2191. SHRI DHANANJAY BHIMRAO MAHADIK:**

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

- (a) whether Government is implementing Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of people benefitted under AB-PMJAY in the country since its inception, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether Government proposes to cover patients suffering from prolonged chronic diseases including cancer under AB-PMJAY and if so, the steps taken thereon along with list of ailments covered thereon;
- (d) whether Government proposed to formulate any effective policy to provide state-of-the art facilities in AB-PMJAY; and
- (e) whether Government has taken steps to create awareness about the yojana to extend better healthcare services for the lowest strata of society and if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (e): Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is the largest publicly funded health protection scheme in the world which aims to provide health cover of Rs. 5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to 12 crore families. Many States/UTs implementing AB-PMJAY have expanded the beneficiary base to approximately 15.5 crore families at their own cost. The scheme is implemented in 33 States/UTs except for Delhi, Odisha, and West Bengal.

As on 01<sup>st</sup> August 2023, a total number of 5.44 crore hospital admissions worth Rs. 66,904 crore are authorized under the scheme. State/UT-wise details of the number of authorized hospital admissions under the scheme are at **Annexure-I**.

The scheme provides treatment corresponding to a total of 1,949 procedures under 27 different specialties including chronic diseases such as Cancer, Diabetes, Heart Disease, and other chronic diseases. In order to ensure a comprehensive treatment cover for various types of cancer and related ailments, National Health Authority (NHA) has concluded Memoranda of Understanding with National Cancer Grid (NCG) and Tata Memorial Hospital (TMH). Treatment for cancer is provided under three heads of Oncology – Medical, Surgical and Radiation. The inclusion of diagnostic tests, useful for staging and treatment planning in the confirmed cases of cancer, has been approved. The diagnostic packages introduced are with respect to breast, cervical and oral cancers. The detailed list of diseases covered under the scheme as per Health Benefit Package 2022 are available at the following link:

<https://pmjay.gov.in/sites/default/files/2022-04/HBP%202022%20..pdf>

As on 01<sup>st</sup> August 2023, a total of 27,139 hospitals, including 11,992 private hospitals, have been empanelled under the scheme across the country. The number of packages since the launch of the scheme has increased from 1393 to 1949 packages. The scheme is implemented through state-of-the-art IT platform which ensures that the implementation is end-to-end cashless and paperless. Beneficiary Facilitation Agency (BFAs) are incentivized to increase scheme uptake in public hospitals by attending to the needs of beneficiaries, screening for potential beneficiaries and timely submission of treatment claims. The details of steps taken to raise awareness about the scheme are at **Annexure-II**.

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State/UT-wise details of the number of authorized hospital admissions under AB-PMJAY

<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Number of authorized hospital admissions</b>
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	2,316
Andhra Pradesh	4,451,214
Arunachal Pradesh	3,584
Assam	760,017
Bihar	690,316
Chandigarh	32,999
Chhattisgarh	4,072,991
Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu	107,264
Goa	10,967
Gujarat	4,178,679
Haryana	873,719
Himachal Pradesh	216,174
Jammu And Kashmir	915,235
Jharkhand	1,689,754
Karnataka	5,602,188
Kerala	5,197,828
Ladakh	7,853
Lakshadweep	652
Madhya Pradesh	2,979,772
Maharashtra	833,808
Manipur	105,097
Meghalaya	646,255
Mizoram	99,382
Nagaland	45,103
Puducherry	52,447
Punjab	1,624,240
Rajasthan	5,741,363
Sikkim	13,314
Tamil Nadu	9,049,149
Telangana	912,032
Tripura	244,473
Uttar Pradesh	2,391,862
Uttarakhand	830,420

Note: States/UT of Odisha, West Bengal and Delhi are not implementing AB-PMJAY.

The details of steps taken to raise awareness about the scheme:

- A comprehensive media and outreach strategy to spread awareness and empowering the beneficiaries about their entitlements and rights under the scheme is followed. This includes the use of media vehicles such as outdoor media, digital display at ticket counters across various railway stations, announcements at major bus stations, passenger train branding, national and regional press coverage, op-eds and advertorials in print media, radio campaign, telecast of beneficiary testimonials via Doordarshan, mass messaging through SMS, traditional media etc.
- Support of ASHA workers, frontline workers under Panchayati Raj, Self Help Groups under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) for beneficiary mobilization, e-KYC for card creation and IEC related activities is sought.
- Beneficiaries verified under the scheme are issued PVC Ayushman card as a token of empowerment. This has increased health seeking behaviour among the beneficiaries.

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