

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1046  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2023**

**RAPIDLY INCREASING CANCER AND HEART PATIENTS IN THE COUNTRY**

**1046. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the number of people suffering from cancer and heart disease has increased phenomenally during the last five years;
- (b) if so, the number of people suffered and died during the last five years;
- (c) whether Government would consider to provide treatment to cancer and heart patients at reasonable rates; 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) to (d) : As per the Indian Council of Medical Research – National Cancer Registry Programme (ICMR-NCRP), the estimated incidence of cancer cases is projected to increase from 14.61 lakhs in 2022 to 15.7 lakhs in 2025. The estimated incidence of cancer cases in the country during last five years by States/UTs wise is enclosed in Annexure 1.

Further, ICMR study report "India: Health of the Nation's States"- The Indian State Level Disease Burden Initiative (2017), the burden of Ischemic Heart Diseases has increased from 3.7% in 1990 to 8.7% in 2016. The detailed report is available at the following link - ([https://www.healthdata.org/sites/default/files/files/policy\\_report/2017/India\\_Health\\_of\\_the\\_Nation%27s\\_States\\_Report\\_2017.pdf](https://www.healthdata.org/sites/default/files/files/policy_report/2017/India_Health_of_the_Nation%27s_States_Report_2017.pdf)),

The Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, however, 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. The programme focusses on strengthening infrastructure, human resource development, health promotion & awareness generation for prevention, early diagnosis, management and referral to an appropriate level of healthcare facility for treatment of the Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs). Under NP-NCD, 753 District NCD Clinics, 355 District Day Care Centres, 219 Cardiac Care Units, and 6237 Community Health Center NCD Clinics have been set up.

A population-based initiative for prevention, control and screening for common NCDs 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 common NCDs i.e. Diabetes, Hypertension and three common cancers i.e oral, breast and cervical. Screening of these common NCDs is an integral part of service delivery under Ayushman Arogya Mandir (erstwhile Ayushman Bharat Health & Wellness Centre).

Preventive aspect of cancer and heart diseases is strengthened under Comprehensive Primary Health Care through Ayushman Arogya Mandir scheme, by promotion of wellness activities and targeted communication at the community level. Other initiatives for increasing public awareness about NCDs promotion of healthy lifestyle includes observation of Health Days pertains to NCDs specially World Cancer Day, National Cancer Awareness Day, World Hypertension Day, World Heart Day, etc. & use of print, electronic and social media for continued 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, NP-NCD gives financial support under NHM for awareness generation (IEC) activities for NCDs to be undertaken by the States/UTs as per their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

The Central Government implements Strengthening of Tertiary Care Cancer Facilities Scheme. 19 State Cancer Institutes (SCIs) and 20 Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCCs) have been approved under the said scheme. Funding of 10 SCI/TCCC has been completed.

National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar (Haryana) and second campus of Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata have also been set up. All new AIIMS and 13 upgraded existing Government Medical Colleges/Institutions under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna (PMSSY) also focus on treatment of cancer.

Diagnosis and treatment of NCDs including cancer and heart diseases is available at various levels in the health care delivery at Community Health Centres, District Hospitals, Medical Colleges, Central Institute like AIIMS, Central Government Hospitals and private sector hospitals. The treatment in Government Hospitals is either free or highly subsidized for the poor and needy.

Treatment of major NCDs including cancer and heart diseases are also available under Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) coverage of Rs. 5 lakhs per family per year for secondary or tertiary care hospitalization is provided to over 60 crore poor and needy beneficiaries. 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 drugs available at a substantial discount vis-à-vis the Maximum Retail Price.

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## Annexure 1

Estimated incidence of cancer cases in India by different State/UT - (2018-2022) - Both sexes

State	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Jammu & Kashmir	12071	12396	12726	13060	13395
Ladakh	273	279	286	294	302
Himachal Pradesh	8412	8589	8799	8978	9164
Punjab	36888	37744	38636	39521	40435
Chandigarh	966	994	1024	1053	1088
Uttarakhand	10932	11216	11482	11779	12065
Haryana	27665	28453	29219	30015	30851
Delhi	23678	24436	25178	25969	26735
Rajasthan	67380	69156	70987	72825	74725
Uttar Pradesh	192019	196652	201319	206088	210958
Bihar	98383	101014	103711	106435	109274
Sikkim	437	443	445	465	496
Arunachal Pradesh	991	1015	1035	1064	1087
Nagaland	1684	1719	1768	1805	1854
Manipur	1803	1844	1899	2022	2097
Mizoram	1742	1783	1837	1919	1985
Tripura	2454	2507	2574	2623	2715
Meghalaya	2741	2808	2879	2943	3025
Assam	36029	36948	37880	38834	39787
West Bengal	103309	105814	108394	110972	113581
Jharkhand	32150	33045	33961	34910	35860
Odisha	48491	49604	50692	51829	52960
Chattisgarh	26443	27113	27828	28529	29253
Madhya Pradesh	73957	75911	77888	79871	81901
Gujarat	66069	67841	69660	71507	73382
Daman	107	118	124	135	150
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	173	186	206	219	238
Maharashtra	110696	113374	116121	118906	121717
Telangana	45335	46464	47620	48775	49983
Andhra Pradesh	67370	68883	70424	71970	73536
Karnataka	81729	83824	85968	88126	90349
Goa	1543	1591	1618	1652	1700
Lakshadweep	27	27	27	28	28
Kerala	55145	56148	57155	58139	59143
Tamil Nadu	84320	86596	88866	91184	93536
Pondicherry	1469	1523	1577	1623	1679
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	351	357	366	380	393
<b>Total</b>	<b>1325232</b>	<b>1358415</b>	<b>1392179</b>	<b>1426447</b>	<b>1461427</b>