

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1711  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2024**

**NEW BENEFICIARIES UNDER AB-PMJAY IN KERALA**

**1711. SMT. P. T. USHA:**

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

- (a) whether Government has amended the beneficiary criteria of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY);
- (b) if so, the details of new beneficiaries enrolled in the AB-PMJAY since the new beneficiary guidelines were incorporated till date, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of new beneficiaries over the age of 70 enrolled from the State of Kerala till date, district-wise?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (c): On 29.10.2024, Government of India expanded Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) to provide free treatment benefits of up to ₹5 lakh per year on a family basis to all senior citizens aged 70 years and above, irrespective of their socio-economic status. Senior citizens of the age 70 years and above holding private health insurance and members of Employee State Insurance Corporation would also be eligible to avail benefits under the scheme.

Senior citizens already covered under any other publicly funded health insurance, have to opt for either their existing scheme or AB-PMJAY. A separate card known as Ayushman Vay Vandana card is issued for eligible senior citizens of the age 70 years and above. All pre-existing conditions are covered from day one and services include a list of predetermined procedures.

The details of Ayushman Vay Vandana cards created under AB-PMJAY State/UT-wise and, District-wise in the State of Kerala are at **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively.

**Annexure-I**State/UT-wise details of Ayushman Vay Vandana cards created under AB-PMJAY

<b>State/UT</b>	<b>No. of Ayushman Vay Vandana cards created</b>
Andaman And Nicobar Islands	222
Andhra Pradesh	10,244
Arunachal Pradesh	14
Assam	5,514
Bihar	66,712
Chandigarh	5,387
Chhattisgarh	26,142
Goa	1,537
Gujarat	2,19,865
Haryana	63,297
Himachal Pradesh	12,762
Jammu And Kashmir	562
Jharkhand	4,856
Karnataka	68,638
Kerala	3,97,320
Ladakh	5
Lakshadweep	28
Madhya Pradesh	8,17,175
Maharashtra	21,279
Manipur	3,013
Meghalaya	47
Mizoram	38
Nagaland	106
Puducherry	3,186
Punjab	38,988
Rajasthan	20,451
Sikkim	575
Tamil Nadu	63,233
Telangana	9,864
DNH & DD	731
Tripura	472
Uttar Pradesh	3,14,330
Uttarakhand	3,414

Note: Data as on 04.12.2024

**Annexure-II**

District-wise details of Ayushman Vay Vandana cards created under AB-PMJAY in the State of  
Kerala

<b>District</b>	<b>No. of Ayushman Vay Vandana cards created</b>
Alappuzha	19,468
Ernakulam	82,190
Idukki	11,245
Kannur	19,864
Kasaragod	14,202
Kollam	46,152
Kottayam	37,029
Kozhikode	19,833
Malappuram	36,723
Palakkad	9,009
Pathanamthitta	28,577
Thiruvananthapuram	61,233
Thrissur	11,452
Wayanad	343

Note: Data as on 04.12.2024

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