

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 929
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03RD DECEMBER, 2024

“Inclusion of AYUSH under AB-PMJAY”

929 Shri Yerram Venkata Subba Reddy:

Will the Minister of Ayush be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that, with an objective to enhance traditional medicine, Government has decided to include AYUSH under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) ;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that, recently a review meeting was held where 170 AYUSH packages are preliminarily selected to include them under AB PM-JAY; and
- (c) if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH
(SHRI PRATAP RAO JADHAV)

(a) Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri-Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) aims to provide health cover of Rs. 5 Lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to approximately 55 Crore beneficiaries corresponding to 12.37 Crore families constituting the bottom 40% of India’s population.

The latest National Health Benefits Packages include 1,961 packages across 27 specialties, offering secondary and tertiary care services to PM-JAY beneficiaries. All pre-existing conditions are covered from day one and services include a list of predetermined procedures covering all the costs related to treatment.

Addition of the new packages to the National Health Benefits Packages is done by Medical Expert committees set up for different specialties comprising of experts from leading institutions.

The committee assesses the need for the inclusion of the new package evaluating the clinical relevance, cost-effectiveness, and overall impact of the proposed packages on patient care

and health outcomes. The committee also finalises the standard treatment guidelines and required documentation to guide healthcare providers and streamline the claims process. Recommendations of the committee are reviewed by the Health Policy and Quality Assurance Division of NHA and after consultation with the State Health Authorities, the packages are finalized for inclusion in the National Health Benefits Package with approval of the competent authority.

The Ayush packages are not included in Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri-Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PM JAY).

(b) & (c) No Ayush packages has been selected for AB-PMJAY as of now.
