

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 270  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025**

**BENEFICIARIES COVERED UNDER AB-PMJAY**

**\*270. SHRI RYAGA KRISHNAIAH:**

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries covered under the Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana (PM-PMJAY);
- (b) the number of Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA), Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) and Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) inducted into the Yojana since February, 2024;
- (c) the number of hospitals, including private hospitals, empanelled under the Yojana; and
- (d) the total number of hospital admissions authorised under the Yojana and its financial cost in the year 2024?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED  
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Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is a flagship scheme of the Government which provides 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 economically vulnerable bottom 40% of India's population.

In March 2024, the scheme was expanded to include 10.34 lakh Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs), 13.96 lakh Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) and 12.89 lakh Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) along with their families.

Recently, the scheme has been expanded to cover 6 crore senior citizens of age 70 years and above belonging to 4.5 crore families irrespective of their socio-economic status through Ayushman Vay Vandana cards. Further, many of the States and Union Territories (UTs) implementing AB-PMJAY have further expanded the beneficiary base at their own cost under the scheme using non-SECC data sources (including National Food Security Act, State specific datasets).

As on 01.03.2025, a network of over 30,957 hospitals, including 13,866 private hospitals, have been empanelled under the scheme.

As on 01.03.2025, more than 8.9 crore hospital admissions worth ₹1.26 lakh crore have been authorized under AB-PMJAY. For FY 2024-25, more than 2.21 crore hospital admissions worth ₹34,954 crore have been authorized under the scheme.

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