

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2824
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH MARCH, 2025**

IMPACT OF AB-PMJAY IN MADHYA PRADESH

2824. # SMT. MAYA NAROLIYA:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has assessed the impact of the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) in Madhya Pradesh, particularly in rural and tribal areas;
- (b) if so, the details of the number of beneficiaries under the scheme in the State, the empanelled hospitals, and the claims settled;
- (c) whether the Ministry has any proposal to address the shortage of healthcare personnel and infrastructure in Madhya Pradesh, particularly in districts with lower health indicators; and
- (d) the steps being taken to improve the quality of healthcare services in Madhya Pradesh under the National Health Mission (NHM)?

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

(a) and (b): Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is a flagship scheme of the Government which provides health cover of Rs. 5 lakh 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. 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.

The scheme is implemented in the State of Madhya Pradesh which includes rural areas of the State as well. In Madhya Pradesh, AB-PMJAY is implemented in convergence with the State-specific scheme, Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana 'Niramayam', and is operationalized in Trust mode. A total of 1.08 crore families are eligible for healthcare benefits under the converged scheme, out of which, 93.27 lakh families are supported by the Central and State governments together under AB-PMJAY. The remaining families are exclusively supported by the State.

As on 20.03.2025, more than 4.27 crore Ayushman cards have been created for the State of Madhya Pradesh, out of which, 3.31 crore Ayushman cards have been created for the beneficiaries residing in the rural areas.

Further, as on 01.03.2025, 1084 hospitals including 587 private hospitals have been empanelled under the scheme in the State of Madhya Pradesh.

As on 21.03.2025, 45.19 lakh claims worth Rs. 7154.27 crore have been settled for the State of Madhya Pradesh.

(c) and (d): Under National Health Mission (NHM), the Government has taken many steps towards universal health coverage by supporting the State Governments including Government of Madhya Pradesh in providing accessible & affordable healthcare to people. NHM provides support for improvement in health infrastructure, availability of adequate human resources in health facilities, to improve availability and accessibility to quality health care especially for the underserved and marginalized groups in rural areas.

Under NHM, financial and technical support is provided to all the State governments, based on the requirements posted by them in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) and within their overall resource envelope.

The various initiatives carried out under National Health Mission (NHM) by Government of India in various States including Madhya Pradesh are operationalisation of Ayushman Arogya Mandir (erstwhile Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres) by transforming the existing Sub-Centres and Primary Health Centres, support for engaging of health human resource on contractual basis, National Ambulance Services, Mobile Medical Units, ASHAs, Infrastructure strengthening, 24 x 7 Services and First Referral facilities, Prime Minister's National Dialysis Programme, National Quality Assurance Standards implementation and related Activities, LaQshya certification, Biomedical Equipment Maintenance and Management Programme, Free Diagnostics Service Initiative and Free Drugs Service Initiative, various activities under reproductive and child health, Anemia Mukh Bharat (AMB) strategy, Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan (PMTBMBA), Nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (NRC) program and Universal Immunization programme are supported to increase access to quality healthcare services.

With the aim of ensuring and enhancing the quality of healthcare services, National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS) have been launched for all health facilities including Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs). Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) has been laid down by the Government of India, which also aims towards an effort to improve the standard and quality of services and provide a uniform benchmark to assess the functionality of public health facilities. These standards include norms for services, infrastructure, human resources, diagnostics, equipment, medicines, etc.

Under NHM, following types of incentives and honorarium are provided for encouraging doctors to practice in rural and remote areas of the country:

- Hard area allowance to specialist doctors for serving in rural and remote areas and for their residential quarters so that they find it attractive to serve in public health facilities in such areas.
- States are also allowed to offer negotiable salary to attract specialist including flexibility in strategies such as "You Quote We Pay".
- Non-Monetary incentives such as preferential admission in postgraduate courses for staff serving in difficult areas and improving accommodation arrangement in rural areas have also been introduced under NHM.

Multi-skilling of doctors is supported under NHM to overcome the shortage of specialists. Skill upgradation of existing HR is another major strategy under NRHM for achieving improvement in health outcomes.

Details of State Programme Implementation Plan (SPIP) approvals on Health Infrastructure under NHM for the State of Madhya Pradesh from FY 2021-22 to FY 2023-24 are as under:

(in crore of Rupees)

Financial Year	SPIP Approvals
2021-22	228.86
2022-23	180.58
2023-24	394.20

Note: The above figures are as per Financial Monitoring Report (FMR) provided by States/UTs & are provisional.

Details of Central release under Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission for the State of Madhya Pradesh from FY 2021-22 to FY 2023-24 are as under:

(in crore of Rupees)

Financial Year	Central Release
2021-22	22.85
2022-23	98.70
2023-24	228.52

Note: The above releases relate to Central Government Grants & do not include State share contribution.
