

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3467
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01st APRIL, 2025**

ERADICATION OF TB BY 2025

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

- (a) the progress made towards achieving TB eradication by 2025, including reduction in incidence and mortality rates, along with State-wise data on TB burden and treatment success;
- (b) the implementation status of the Ni-Kshay Mitra initiative, the number of enrolled beneficiaries, and the measures to enhance community and private sector participation;
- (c) the financial allocation and expenditure under the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP) for the last five years; and
- (d) the steps taken to improve TB screening and diagnosis in rural and tribal areas, including the establishment of testing facilities in aspirational districts and introduction of mobile screening units?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

- (a) The Government implements National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP) under the aegis of the National Health Mission (NHM). As per World Health Organization's Global TB Report 2024, the incidence rate of TB in India has shown a 17.7% decline from 237 per lakh population in 2015 to 195 per lakh population in 2023, while the TB deaths have reduced by 21.4% from 28 per lakh population in 2015 to 22 per lakh population in 2023. The details of TB cases notified and treated successfully in year 2023 and 2024, is placed at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) Under Ni-kshay Mitra Initiative, since inception, 2,90,887 Ni-kshay Mitra have been registered and 28.17 lakh food baskets have been distributed to 11.93 lakh consented TB patients till 24th March 2025. To enhance the community and private sector participation, special awareness activities were taken up by the State/UT Governments and Intensive Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities through jan bhagidari were conducted to educate the public and raise awareness about Ni-kshay Mitra initiative.
- (c) The financial allocation and expenditure under NTEP for the last five years, are placed at **Annexure-II**.

- (d) Under NTEP, additional provisions are implemented in tribal / hilly/difficult areas, as under:
- TB Programme Management Unit (TB Units) - 1 for every 1 lakh population in tribal, hilly and difficult area as against 1 for every 2 lakhs general population.
 - Microscopy Centres for diagnosis of TB - 1 per 1 lakh general population to 1 per 50,000 population in tribal, hilly, and difficult areas.
 - Patients from tribal / hilly / difficult areas are provided an incentive of Rs. 750 (one time) to cover travel costs of patient and attendant.

Further, under NTEP, the key steps taken to address TB in all population (including in tribal, rural areas and aspirational districts) in the country, are as under:

- Targeted interventions in high TB burden areas through State and District Specific Strategic plans.
- Provision of free drugs and diagnostics to TB patients.
- Intensified TB case-finding among vulnerable populations through mobile diagnostic units for reaching out to remote and rural areas.
- Decentralization of TB screening and treatment services to the Ayushman Arogya Mandir (AAM).
- Private sector engagement with incentives for notification & management of TB cases.
- Scaling up of molecular diagnostic laboratories in all blocks to facilitate early TB diagnosis.
- Ni-kshay Poshan Yojana of Rs. 1,000 per month per patient as nutritional support for the entire duration of treatment.
- Intensified Information, Education & Communication (IEC) interventions to reduce stigma, enhance community awareness and improve health seeking behaviour.
- Provision of TB Preventive Treatment to contacts of TB patients and vulnerable population.
- Tracking of notified TB cases through Ni-kshay portal.
- Provision of additional nutritional support to TB patients and household contacts under Ni-kshay Mitra initiative.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3467 for answer on 01/04/2025

Annexure-I

State-wise TB patients notified and treated successfully in 2023 and 2024			
	2023		2024*
State/UT	TB patients notified	Treated Successfully	TB patients notified
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	488	369	533
Andhra Pradesh	86033	82215	81804
Arunachal Pradesh	2606	1948	2939
Assam	50180	44878	49389
Bihar	184706	155580	203853
Chandigarh	3912	3050	4108
Chhattisgarh	37473	33401	38957
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	822	725	790
Delhi	82426	64098	90281
Goa	1823	1376	1973
Gujarat	133898	122604	129465
Haryana	75745	66862	83673
Himachal Pradesh	15399	13577	15621
Jammu & Kashmir	11382	9808	11964
Jharkhand	60592	54623	63913
Karnataka	74493	65094	74135
Kerala	20558	17117	20214
Ladakh	328	257	318
Lakshadweep	13	12	14
MADHYA PRADESH	178884	156839	177525
Maharashtra	205909	182758	214670
Manipur	2522	1813	2561
Meghalaya	4493	3840	4318
Mizoram	2115	1541	2163
Nagaland	4192	3278	4009
Odisha	60766	56259	59483
Puducherry	1507	1156	1355
Punjab	56264	46305	60456
Rajasthan	159302	141911	168059
Sikkim	1189	973	1169
Tamil Nadu	92945	82468	91318
Telangana	72100	66459	74711
Tripura	3425	2758	3422
Uttar Pradesh	613851	566490	670590
Uttarakhand	25674	23113	28382
West Bengal	97535	84928	97332
*Treatment outcome will be due in 2025			

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3467 for answer on 01/04/2025

Annexure-II

Financial allocation and expenditure under NTEP for the last five years		
Financial Year	Allocation (Rs. in crores)	Expenditure (Rs. in crores)
2020-21	3109.93	3097.98
2021-22	3409.94	2086.82
2022-23	1666.33*	910.83
2023-24	1888.82*	1179.68
2024-25 [#]	2090.53*	2757.44

* from the year 2022-23 onwards the allocation and expenditure is excluding of cash grant to States/UTs which is being released by NHM directly to States/ UTs as a common pool i.e. RCH Flexible Pool which includes TB.
[#] Expenditure till 24.03.2025.