

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 906
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2025**

FUNDS UNDER HMCPF

906. SHRI SANJEEV ARORA:

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

- (a) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF) in the last five years, year-wise;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries supported under this scheme during the same period, State wise, gender-wise, and type of cancer-wise;
- (c) the average financial assistance provided per beneficiary;
- (d) the steps taken to improve fund outreach in rural and low-income areas; and
- (e) whether the Ministry has conducted any evaluation of the scheme's effectiveness, and if so, the findings thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) The details of funds allocated and utilized under Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF) component of the Umbrella Scheme of Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi (RAN) in the last five years are as under:

(in Rs. Crore)

Year	Funds allocated	Funds utilized
2019-20	45.00	35.67
2020-21	35.00	17.10
2021-22	37.00	6.83
2022-23	6.00	4.07
2023-24	5.00	2.08*

*This does not include funds utilized for implementation of the scheme online through NHA's IT platform.

Financial assistance for eligible patients is released to the treating hospitals/institutes. There is no State/UT-wise allocation of funds under the Umbrella Scheme of RAN. Therefore,

State/UT-wise data is not maintained centrally. Gender-wise and cancer-wise data is also not maintained centrally. The number of beneficiaries supported under the scheme during the last five years is as under:

Year	Beneficiaries
2019-20	470
2020-21	196
2021-22	64
2022-23	71
2023-24*	21

*This does not include the number of beneficiaries whose cases were processed online through NHA's IT platform.

The average financial assistance provided per beneficiary under the HMCPF component of the Umbrella Scheme of RAN is Rs. 8 lakh (approximately).
