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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1871 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2025

## EXPANSION OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES THROUGH AAMs ACROSS URBAN AND RURAL AREAS

**1871 # SHRI MADAN RATHORE:** 

SHRI RYAGA KRISHNAIAH:

SHRI AMAR PAL MAURYA:

**SHRI BRIJ LAL:** 

SHRI MAYANKKUMAR NAYAK:

**SHRI BABURAM NISHAD:** 

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

- (a) the steps taken to expand healthcare services through Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs) across urban and rural areas;
- (b) whether the AAMs have been contributing in early detection and management of non-communicable diseases, especially in rural areas;
- (c) the manner in which the integration of teleconsultation and yoga sessions has enhanced service delivery at Ayushman Arogya Mandirs;
- (d) the impact of operationalizing over one lakh AAMs on primary healthcare access in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) the impact of operationalizing over 1.75 lakh AAMs on primary healthcare access in the country?

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

(a) to (e): As reported by States/UTs on AAM portal, a total of 1,78,154 Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs) [erstwhile Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs)] have been operationalized in India across urban and rural areas, till 15.07.2025.

Through Ayushman Arogya Mandir, comprehensive primary healthcare is provided by strengthening Sub Health Centres (SHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs). These AAMs provide preventive, promotive, rehabilitative and curative care for an expanded range of services encompassing Communicable diseases, Non-communicable diseases (NCDs), reproductive and child healthcare services and other health issues.

The home visits by primary healthcare teams for identification of risk factors followed by screening at AAMs ensures early detection of NCDs, followed by referral to PHCs and higher centres for management by specialist doctors.

The teleconsultation services, available at all operational AAMs across the country including rural areas, enables people to access the specialist services closer to their homes addressing concerns of physical accessibility, shortage of service providers and to facilitate continuum of care. Total teleconsultations conducted at AAM are 38.13 crore as on 15.07.2025.

Beyond the management of illnesses, promotive and preventive health is an integral part of comprehensive primary health care. Wellness-related activities like Yoga, cycling, and meditation are conducted in AAMs. As on 15.07.2025, a total of 5.79 crore wellness sessions have been conducted at AAMs.

With the enactment of various healthcare reforms at AAMs in India including Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, the annual footfall has increased from 13.49 crore in FY 2019-20 to 128.08 crore in FY 2024-25. A significant improvement has been reported in the screening and management of NCDs with over 33.53 crore individuals for Hypertension, 32.18 crore for Diabetes, 30.04 crore for Oral Cancer, 14.08 crore for Breast Cancer and 7.53 crore for Cervical Cancer screened/examined for NCD at SHCs & PHCs (rural & urban) including AAM, as per NP-NCD (National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases) portal.

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