

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1210
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10th FEBRUARY, 2026**

NATIONAL SICKLE CELL ANEMIA ELIMINATION MISSION

**1210# SHRI SHAMBHU SHARAN PATEL:
DR. ANIL SUKHDEORAO BONDE:
SHRI BRIJ LAL:
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SHRI MADAN RATHORE:
SMT. RAMILABEN BECHARBHAI BARA:
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DR. PARMAR JASHVANTSINH SALAMSINH:
SHRI BABURAM NISHAD:
SMT. MAMATA MOHANTA:**

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

- (a) the number of people screened for Sickle Cell Anemia Disease under the Mission until December 2025;
- (b) the number of people identified as "carriers" and as "sufferers", respectively;
- (c) whether Government has achieved the target of screening seven crore people by the end of 2025;
- (d) if so, the number of people in each State who have received Genetic Status Cards;
- (e) the number of fully operational Centres of Excellence (COEs) for Sickle Cell Disease treatment in the seventeen high-prevalence States as of December 2025; and
- (f) the total financial assistance provided to tribal-dominated districts for purchasing Point-of-Care testing kits up to December 2025 including Mayurbhanj district of Odisha?

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

(a) to (d) Under National Sickle Cell Anaemia Elimination Mission (NSCAEM), screenings in the targeted age group of 0-40 years are conducted at all health facilities from District Hospitals (DH) upto Ayushman Arogya Mandir (AAM) level in affected 17 tribal states for diagnosis of Sickle Cell Disease. As per Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) portal, more than 6.83

crore screenings have been conducted in tribal dominated areas of the country including 60.83 lakh screenings in Odisha, as on 03.02.2026. A total of 2,37,981 individuals have been identified as diseased and 19,32,500 as carriers of Sickle Cell Disease, as on 03.02.2026. State-wise numbers of Genetic Status Cards distributed, as on 03.02.2026, is at Annexure.

(e) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has devised the cost norms for establishment of Centres of Excellence (CoE) on SCD funded by Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) in various states. 17 Centres of Excellence (COEs) in 15 states have been approved by MoTA.

(f) State Programme Implementation Plan (SPIP) approvals towards screening for Blood Disorders under National Health Mission from F.Y. 2022-23 to F.Y. 2025-26 in the country including Odisha is as follows:

(Rs. in Lakhs)		
Financial Year	All India	Odisha
2022-23	28,991.84	87.50
2023-24	44,855.32	2,475.38
2024-25	44,754.53	2,657.34
2025-26	53,904.10	1,934.17

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (d) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1210 for reply on 10.02.2026

Annexure

State-wise numbers of Genetic Status Cards distributed, as on 03.02.2026-

S.No.	State Name	No. of Genetic Status Cards Distributed
1	CHHATTISGARH	1,02,90,081
2	MADHYA PRADESH	1,13,61,858
3	MAHARASHTRA	21,46,504
4	GUJARAT	79,15,506
5	ODISHA	30,05,123
6	RAJASTHAN	17,11,440
7	JHARKHAND	2,943
8	WEST BENGAL	381
9	ANDHRA PRADESH	4,78,186
10	ASSAM	1,34,982
11	TELANGANA	4,44,393
12	UTTAR PRADESH	4,41,639
13	TAMIL NADU	3,98,385
14	KARNATAKA	4,241
15	BIHAR	63
16	UTTARAKHAND	1,51,507
17	KERALA	20,234
	Total	3,85,07,466