

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 671
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH NOVEMBER, 2016**

PUBLIC HEALTH EXPENDITURE IN INDIA

671. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

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

- (a) the funds allocated annually for health in the last three years and utilization thereof;
- (b) the total health expenditure in India as a percentage of GDP annually in the last three years; and
- (c) whether sufficient funds have been allocated for the ever increasing health needs of our country, if so, the reasons therefor?

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

(a): statement showing allocation of funds and expenditure thereunder estimated for 2013-14 to 2015-16 by Government (Central and State combined) in health sector, is annexed.

(b): As per Economic Survey 2015-16 brought out by Ministry of Finance, public expenditure on health (Centre and States) as percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for last three years is as under:

- (i) 2013-14 - 1.2%
- (ii) 2014-15 - 1.3%
- (iii) 2015-16 - 1.3 %

As per recent publication of National Health Accounts –Estimates for India 2013-14, the total health expenditure as percentage of GDP is estimated at 4.02% for 2013-14.

(c): Health being a State subject, the Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Governments through financial assistance. The Central allocation of funds for health sector is based inter-alia on the availability of resources and competing claims on these resources. An increased growth rate of the economy generates increased resources for funding the health sector.

ANNEXURE

A statement showing allocation of fund and expenditure by Government (Central and State Government combined) on health

(Rupees in crore)

Year	Allocation (BE)	Expenditure
2013-14	136763.66	118166.83 (Actual)
2014-15	159491.84	141254.10 Actual)*
2015-16	169544.54	157729.76 (RE)

***Provisional**