

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4194
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH AUGUST, 2017**

FREE SCREENING OF CANCER

4194. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering free screening of cancer in 100 districts of the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to make arrangements for free screening of cancer in Baroda city of Gujarat; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) : Population based screening of common Non-Communicable Diseases(NCDs) including common cancers (Oral, Breast and Cervical cancer) has been initiated under National Health Mission(NHM). Key components of population based screening of NCDs include community based risk assessment, screening, referral, and follow up of all individuals of 30 years and above in the community. At present, about 100 Districts have been covered across the country including Gandhinagar, Rajkot and Porbandar districts of Gujarat. The urban cities included in Gujarat under this initiative are Gandhinagar city and Rajkot city. The districts have been selected on the basis of recommendations of the State Governments.

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