

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1281
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2018**

PER CAPITA EXPENDITURE ON HEALTH FACILITIES

**1281. SHRIMATI RANJEET RANJAN:
SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:**

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

- (a) whether per capita expenditure on health facilities in India is 267 dollars as per the World Health Organisation Report China, five times in Brazil and ten times in European Union and twenty times in America;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the action taken by the Government regarding the implementation of the recommendation of the NITI Aayog for the change in medical education; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the Primary Health Centre in the country at present and the financial assistance provided to the States under this head during the last three years?

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

(a) & (b): As per WHO Global Health Expenditure database providing data for the year 2015, the per capita expenditure on healthcare for India is 238 in Purchasing power parity (PPP) Int \$, while for China it is 762 in PPP Int \$, for Brazil is 1392 in PPP Int \$ and for USA is 9536 in PPP Int \$. For some of the major European countries, like United Kingdom, Sweden, Netherlands, Germany, and France, the per capita expenditure on healthcare during 2015 was 4145 PPP Int \$, 5299 PPP Int \$, 5313 PPP Int \$, 5357 PPP Int \$, and 4542 PPP Int \$ respectively.

As per the country statistics available on World Health Organization website at <http://www.who.int/countries/ind/en/>, it is reported that the total expenditure on health per capita in India during 2014 was 267 Int \$.

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As per National Health Accounts Estimates for India 2014-15, the per capita Government health expenditure in India is estimated at Rs.1108. The National Health Policy 2017 envisages raising public health expenditure progressively to 2.5% of the GDP by 2025.

(c): Based on the recommendation of the Group of Experts (GoE) headed by Prof. Ranjeet Roy Chaudhary and the Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee of Health and Family Welfare, a draft National Medical Commission Bill was framed by a committee headed by Vice Chairman NITI Aayog which was subsequently approved by the Group of Ministers with some modification. The National Medical Commission Bill, 2017 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha 29-12-2017.

(d): Public Health and Hospitals being a State subject, the primary responsibility to strengthen the Primary Health Centres (PHCs) lies with the State Governments. However, under NHM, technical and financial assistance is provided to the States/UTs to strengthen their health systems including strengthening of PHCs. The Financial assistance provided to States/UTs for Primary Health Centres (PHCs) under National Health Mission for last three years i.e. 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 was Rs. 629.87 crore, Rs. 694.68 crore and Rs. 640.16 crore respectively.

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