

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 533
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH JULY, 2018**

GDP ON HEALTH SECTOR

**533. SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:
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Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India's spending on Health as percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is lower than the neighbouring countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the percentage of GDP spent by India on Public Health at present;
- (c) the percentage of GDP spent by India on Public Health during 2013-14;
- (d) whether India's per capita expenditure on health increased during the recent past;
- (e) if so, the extent to which it has increased during the last two years; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to enhance the public spending on health?

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

(a) to (c) A statement, showing public health expenditure as percentage to Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in respect of India as well as neighbouring countries during 2015, is **annexed**.

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As per Economic Survey 2017-18 (Volume-2), public health expenditure as percentage to GDP in 2017-18 (BE) was 1.4 % as compared to 1.2% in 2013-14.

(d) & (e): As per National Health Profile 2018 brought out by Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (CBHI), per capita expenditure on healthcare by Government (Centre and States) for last two years, at current prices, is as under:

- (i) 2016-17 (RE) - Rs.1397
- (ii) 2017-18(BE) - Rs.1657

(f): The National Health Policy, 2017 envisages raising Government health spending to 2.5% of GDP by 2025 in a time bound manner. It also envisages increasing State sector health spending to more than 8% of their budget by 2020.

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ANNEXURE

Statement showing health expenditure as percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in respect of India as well as neighbouring countries during 2015

Countries	Current Health Expenditure (CHE) as % Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	Domestic General Government Health Expenditure (GGHE-D) as % Gross Domestic Product (GDP)
China	5.32	3.00
Bhutan	3.49	2.51
Sri Lanka	2.97	1.59
Nepal	6.15	1.00
India	3.89	1.00
Pakistan	2.69	0.74
Bangladesh	2.64	0.39
Afghanistan	10.30	0.53

Source: Global Health Expenditure Data base (online data), World Health Organization, 2018 (<http://apps.who.int/nha/database>) accessed on 12th July, 2018.