

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2066  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2018**

**LOW-COST MEDICAL FACILITIES**

**2066. DR. PRABHAS KUMAR SINGH:**

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to develop low-cost medical facilities for heart, kidneys and cancer patients; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

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

(a) & (b): Ayushman Bharat- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) has been launched. This scheme provides coverage of up to Rs. 5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary hospitalisation to over 10 crore poor and vulnerable families (approx. 50 crore families).

Health is a State subject. However, for providing affordable medical facilities, initiatives have been taken by the Central Government.

The Central Government, under the National Health Mission (NHM), provides financial and technical support to the States/UTs for strengthening their healthcare system including for prevention and management of non-communicable diseases including heart diseases, kidney diseases and cancer.

National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) is being implemented under National Health Mission (NHM) for interventions upto the district level under which NCD Clinics are set up at District and Community Health Centre (CHC) level.

Population based screening of common NCDs, i.e. hypertension, Diabetes and common cancers (Oral, Breast and Cervical cancer) has also been initiated under National Health Mission (NHM). The initiative will help in early diagnosis and will generate awareness on risk factors of NCDs.

To enhance the facilities for tertiary care of cancer, the Central Government is implementing Tertiary Care Cancer Centre Scheme to support the setting up of State Cancer Institutes (SCI) and Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCC) in different parts of the country.

Under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna (PMSSY), new All India Institute of Medical Science (AIIMS) are being set up and many institutions are being upgraded. Many of these institutions have specialities dealing with Heart Diseases, Kidney Diseases and Cancer.

Setting up of National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar, Haryana and of Second Campus of Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute has been approved.