

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5507
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26TH JULY, 2019**

HEALTH PROTECTION FOR THE POOR

5507. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

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

- (a) the details of initiatives taken by the Government to protect the poor families across the country from financial crisis to maintain their healthcare;
- (b) the details of budget allotment and allocation made for the said purpose during each of the last three years for protecting the poor families so far; and
- (c) the details of funds allotted with reference to Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth in the current budget session?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): The Government has launched National Health Protection scheme known as Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) on 23.09.2018, to provide health assurance/insurance of Rs. 5.00 lakh per family to around 10.74 crore poor and vulnerable families as per the Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC). As on date, 33 states/UTs have signed the Memorandum of Understanding for implementation of AB-PMJAY.

(b): Year-wise Budget allotment made for the AB-PMJAY is as under -

Year	Budget allocation (In crore)
2018-19	2400.00
2019-20	6400.00

(c): As per the economic survey 2018-19, expenditure by Centre and States on Health sector as a per cent of GDP is 1.5.

In the current financial year, Rs. 6400.00 crore have been earmarked for AB-PMJAY.

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