

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4045  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**BUDGET ON HEALTH RESEARCH**

**4045. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:**

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

- (a) the percentage of health budget spent on Department of Health Research;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the percentage of funds allocated to the Department of Health Research is the lowest compared to the allotment of funds to other research wings of different departments across the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for providing less funds for research;
- (d) whether the Government has received any recommendations regarding the optimal percentage of funds to be allocated to the Department of Health Research;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to increase the fund allocation in the field of medical research;
- (g) if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE  
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (h): The Department of Health Research has been allocated an amount of Rs. 3200.65 crore for the year 2022-23 which is 3.71% of total health budget of the GoI. The budget of other research Department like Department of Science and Technology, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) and Department of Biotechnology is Rs. 6000.00 crore, Rs. 5636.00 and Rs. 2581.00 crore respectively for the same year. However, the funds allocated to different research departments do not seem appropriate to be compared as the nature and scope of research taken up by each department is different one.