

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 242
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST JULY, 2023**

HEALTHCARE FACILITIES IN TEA GARDENS IN ASSAM

242. SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to provide healthcare facilities and ambulances across all tea gardens of Assam to facilitate the sick workers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any funds have been provided by the Government to the tea gardens in Assam; and
- (d) if so, the details of starting such financial assistance, tea garden-wise?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE**

(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (d): Public Health and Hospital is a State subject. The primary responsibility of strengthening public healthcare system, including ambulances, lies with the respective State/UT Governments. Under National Health Mission (NHM), financial and technical support is provided to the States/UTs to strengthen their healthcare systems upto District Hospitals based on the requirements posed by them in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) within their overall Resource Envelope.

To strengthen the Primary Health Facility in the Tea Estate Hospitals and to extend the health services to the entire population within the Tea Estates, Govt. of Assam has taken following steps:

- (1) NHM, Assam is providing financial assistance to 170 Tea Garden Hospitals under PPP mode
- (2) Government of Assam has deployed 130 numbers Mobile Medical Units (MMU) across the State, among which 80 MMUs are working extensively in the tea garden areas of the state.
- (3) Extension of Free Drugs Scheme to all Tea Garden Hospitals of the State of Assam.

(4) Wage Compensation Scheme for Pregnant Women of the Tea Garden Areas of Assam

(5) 793 ambulances are rendering their services in the state including the tea gardens of Assam.

The quantum of Assistance provided to the Tea Garden Hospitals under PPP with NHM, Assam is placed at Annexure.

Annexure

Quantum of Assistance provided to the Tea Garden Hospitals under PPP with NHM, Assam		
Sl. No.	F.Y.	Approved amount (In Lakh)
1	2008-2009	2250.00
2	2009-2010	2422.82
3	2010-2011	3154.00
4	2011-2012	1125.00
5	2012-2013	1125.00
6	2013-2014	1125.00
7	2014-2015	1080.00
8	2015-2016	1125.00
9	2016-2017	1125.00
10	2017-2018	1125.00
11	2018-2019	1125.00
12	2019-2020	787.50
13	2020-2021	843.75
14	2021-2022	956.29
15	2022-2023	1700.00
16	2023-2024	1700.00