GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1176

ANSWERED ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023/AGRAHAYANA 20, 1945 (SAKA)

UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE SCHEME

†1176. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the Centres contribution in schemes for universal health coverage on the lines of Mukhya Mantri Chiranjeevi Swasthya Yojana in the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. BHAGWAT KARAD)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has informed that Ayushman Bharat — Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is flagship health assurance scheme of Government of India which is implemented in partnership with the States/UTs. The scheme provides health coverage of Rs. 5 lakh per family per year to 12 crore beneficiary families comprising 55 crore individuals in the country, which constitute bottom 40% of the country's population.

However, States/UTs implementing AB PM-JAY have the flexibility to expand the beneficiary base at their own cost. Accordingly, the beneficiary base of the scheme has been expanded by several States/UTs implementing AB PM-JAY. Many States/UTs have converged their State scheme with AB PM-JAY including Mukhya Mantri Chiranjeevi Swasthya Bima Yojana in the State of Rajasthan.
