

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2261  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2023**

**EXPANSION OF ABDM**

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SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:  
SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:**

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to expand the implementation of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government also proposes to involve States in this regard and if so, details thereof along with the technical and financial support thus being provided to the States thus far; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure digital hygiene within the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, emphasizing cybersecurity and data integrity measures?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY  
WELFARE  
(PROF. SATYA PAL SINGH BAGHEL)**

**(a) to (c)** Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM ) was launched in September 2021. ABDM aims to create an online platform enabling interoperability of health data within the health ecosystem. The aim of this mission is to create an Electronic Health Record (EHR) of every citizen.

ABDM envisages to develop the backbone necessary to support the integrated digital health infrastructure of the country. The core components of the Mission include Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) for citizens, Health Professional Registry (HPR), Health Facility Registry (HFR) and ABHA Application. The digital health ecosystem created by ABDM supports continuity of care across primary, secondary and tertiary healthcare in a seamless manner.

ABDM, is a central sector scheme with an outlay of Rs 1600 crore for 5 years from 21-22 to 25-26. Under the scheme, funding for Human Resources, Capacity Building (CB) & Information Education and Communication (IEC) activities is provided to all States and Union Territories (UTs) to drive this mission and to facilitate necessary handholding support in on-boarding all the facilities/ health professionals and to integrate all state health programmes/ solutions under ABDM ecosystem. During FY 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 (Till 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023), Rs 46.97 Crore has been released to all States/UT.

Several guidelines and notifications have been issued under Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), which set out the minimum standards for data privacy and protection. These include Health Data Management Policy, Data Privacy Policy and ABDM Health Records (PHR), Mobile App Privacy Policy.

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