

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 951
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 08th DECEMBER, 2023**

FREE DIAGNOSTICS SERVICE INITIATIVE

**951. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:
SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:
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DR. BHARATIBENDHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:
SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:
DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:
SHRIMATI HIMADRI SINGH:**

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

- (a) the details and objectives of the Free Diagnostics Service Initiative rolled out by the Government;
- (b) the details of the dissemination of operational guidelines for the Initiative to the States/UTs along with the timeframe and essential guidelines laid down in this regard; and
- (c) the funds that were accorded approval during the FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-2023, State/UT-wise?

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

(a) and (b) The Free Diagnostic Service Initiative (FDSI) was launched in July 2015 to provide accessible and affordable pathological and radiological diagnostics services closer to the community, reducing Out-of-Pocket Expenditure (OOPE). It encompasses free laboratory services, free Tele Radiology Services and free CT Scan services. The objective of FDSI is to

provide free of cost diagnostic services, a minimum set of essential diagnostic tests as per the Essential Diagnostic List at each level of public health facility as (14 tests at Sub Centres (SCs), 63 tests at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), 97 tests at Community Health Centres (CHCs), 111 tests at Sub-District Hospitals (SDHs) and 134 tests at District Hospitals (DHs).

The operational guideline and the model tender document were shared with the States in July 2015. The detailed guidelines are available at the following link: -

https://nhm.gov.in/images/pdf/NHM/NHM-Guidelines/Free_Essential_Diagnostics.pdf

Subsequently, in 2019, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare launched a guidance document for implementing laboratory services. The guidelines were disseminated to the States/UTs in 2019. The same is available at the following link: -

https://nhm.gov.in/New_Updates_2018/NHM_Components/Health_System_Stregthening/Comprehensive_primary_health_care/letter/Guidance_document_for_Free_Laboratory_Services.pdf

c) State/UT wise SPIP Approvals for **Free Diagnostics Service Initiative** under National Health Mission from the FY 2021-22 to 2022-23 is given at Annexure.

State/UT wise details of SPIP Approvals for National Free Diagnostics Services under NHM during the period of F.Y. 2021-22 and 2022-23			
(Rs. in Lakhs)			
Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0.00	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	1678.35	10,368.97
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.00	1,489.25
4	Assam	7662.41	9,136.37
5	Bihar	0.00	17,566.93
6	Chandigarh	32.00	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	1154.00	3,180.00
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00
9	Delhi	0.00	0.00
10	Goa	0.00	0.00
11	Gujarat	2317.13	32.50
12	Haryana	0.00	0.00
13	Himachal Pradesh	2516.35	2,000.00
14	Jammu & Kashmir	1639.59	2,364.66
15	Jharkhand	600.00	0.00
16	Karnataka	8386.69	11,989.39
17	Kerala	2873.32	1,813.12
18	Ladakh	63.00	87.88
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	8550.00	15,707.32
21	Maharashtra	15055.23	18,071.71
22	Manipur	875.00	1,050.00
23	Meghalaya	732.75	0.00
24	Mizoram	26.55	1,273.00
25	Nagaland	169.36	163.00
26	Odisha	7574.07	5,022.08
27	Puducherry	8.00	7.63
28	Punjab	2056.00	1,200.00
29	Rajasthan	10961.41	21,621.09
30	Sikkim	65.99	72.59
31	Tamil Nadu	13310.30	11,208.84
32	Telangana	4349.50	476.04
33	Tripura	1319.64	1,643.00
34	Uttar Pradesh	42336.82	31,934.19
35	Uttarakhand	542.00	2,235.00
36	West Bengal	11921.18	25,743.00

Note: SPIP Approvals are as per FMR submitted by the States.