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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 83 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH FEBRURAY, 2020 AYUSHMAN HEALTH CARDS

*83. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has distributed Ayushman Health Cards/e-Cards to all BPL/eligible families;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Tripura and Bihar; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the cards are likely to be distributed to all the eligible beneficiaries under the scheme?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 83 FOR 7TH FEBRUARY, 2020

(a) to (c) The Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is an entitlement-based scheme and no registration or enrolment of entitled beneficiaries, identified as per Socio-Economic Caste Census database, is required for availing the benefits under the scheme. However, in order to create awareness and facilitate availing of benefits, after verifying the identity of beneficiaries under the scheme, paper-based e-cards have been issued to the beneficiaries.

The identification of beneficiaries is a continuous process and the responsibility of issuing AB-PMJAY e-cards lies with the States/UTs. As on 03.02.2020, over 12.04 crore beneficiaries have been verified. This also includes 4.68 crore scheme cards made by States using their own IT systems. The State/UT-wise details of beneficiary verification are at Annexure.

Also, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed with Common Service Center (CSC) e-Governance Services India Limited for utilizing their network of CSCs to verify AB-PMJAY beneficiaries' identity under the scheme. The CSCs are operated by village level entrepreneurs (VLE) who verify the identity of beneficiaries and issue e-cards.

Besides, beneficiary identification process is undertaken at all the empanelled hospitals including private service providers through Pradhan Mantri Arogya Mitras (PMAMs).

Further, Open Beneficiary Identification System policy has been launched whereby services of different public or private entities can be deployed in addition to the network of CSC VLEs and PMAM to facilitate the beneficiary identification process. States/UTs have also been advised to issue e-cards to entitled beneficiaries in a mission mode.

State/UT	Total cards issued
Andaman And Nicobar Islands	11,965
Andhra Pradesh*	-
Arunachal Pradesh	1,069
Assam**	1,22,79,077
Bihar	43,48,901
Chandigarh	47,452
Chhattisgarh	27,10,199
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and	2,77,438
Daman and Diu	1,18,037
Goa	21,079
Gujarat	73,46,491
Haryana	18,74,424
Himachal Pradesh	8,16,306
UT of Jammu & Kashmir and UT of Ladakh	11,42,247
Jharkhand	86,80,489
Karnataka**	97,82,874
Kerala	62,80,933
Lakshadweep	589
Madhya Pradesh	1,38,29,213
Maharashtra	62,73,326
Manipur	2,11,447
Meghalaya	15,53,912
Mizoram	3,93,273
Nagaland	2,44,901
Puducherry	98,041
Punjab	40,83,773
Rajasthan*	-
Sikkim	28,431
Tamil Nadu**	2,47,27,248
Tripura	8,86,141
Uttar Pradesh	86,00,045
Uttarakhand	37,74,543
GRAND TOTAL	12,04,43,864

^{*}E-cards have been issued on State IT system. Details are not yet available

NOTE: The above information relates to beneficiaries supported under AB-PMJAY in alliance with state schemes

^{** 4.68} Cr cards have made by states using their own IT systems