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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 929 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th SEPTEMBER, 2020

TRIBAL PEOPLE AFFECTED BY COVID-19

929. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL: SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

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

- (a) the total number of people affected, recovered and died due to COVID-19, particularly in tribal dominated regions, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide additional medical relief to regions having limited medical infrastructure; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken by the Government to protect the tribal people in these regions?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a): The total number of people affected, recovered and died due to COVID-19 is placed at **Annexure-I**. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare does not maintain data on tribal dominated regions.
- (b) & (c): For appropriate management of COVID-19 cases, a three tier arrangement of health facilities [(i) COVID Care Center with isolation beds for mild or pre-symptomatic cases; (ii) Dedicated COVID Health Centre (DCHC) with oxygen supported isolation beds for moderate cases and (iii) Dedicated COVID Hospital (DCH) with ICU beds for severe cases] has been implemented. Tertiary care hospitals under ESIC, Defence, Railways, paramilitary forces, Steel Ministry etc. have been leveraged for case management. In addition, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has set up large field hospitals with capacities ranging from 1000 to 10,000 isolation beds.

The availability of beds in various districts is monitored by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Based on the growth rate trajectory, States are conveyed the requirement to enhance capacity in advance and followed up through letters and video conferences.

Government of India has taken a number of other steps to contain/mitigate the impact of Covid Pandemic that applies to all sections of society. India followed a whole of Government and whole of society approach. Hon'ble Prime Minister, a High level Group of Ministers (GoM), Cabinet Secretary, Committee of Secretaries and senior officers in MoHFW continue to monitor public health response to COVID-19 in the country.

The public health actions were taken in a pre-emptive, pro-active, graded manner based on the evolving scenario. A number of travel advisories were issued restricting inflow of international travelers, till such time, commercial flights were suspended on 23rd March, 2020. Till then, a total of 14,154 flights with 15,24,266 passengers have been screened at these airports. Screening was also done at 12 major and 65 minor ports and land border crossings. In the initial part of the pandemic, India evacuated a large number of stranded passengers from then COVID affected countries (China, Italy, Iran, Japan, Malaysia) and again in the un-lockdown phase, a total of 13,18,891 passengers have been brought back (as on 14th September, 2020) and followed up.

Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) is conducting contact tracing through community surveillance. In the earlier part of the pandemic, this was done for travel related cases and subsequently for cases being reported from community as a part of containment strategy. As on 14th September 2020, a total of about 40 lakh persons have been kept under surveillance. There are 726 laboratories conducting COVID-19 Testing. India is testing is about 1 million samples a day. A total of 5.8 crore samples have been tested so far (as on 14th September 2020).

States are being supported in terms of supply of logistics. So far 1.41 Crore of PPE Kits, 3.44 crores N-95 masks, 10.84 crore tablets of Hydroxychloroquine and 30,663 ventilators and 1,02,400 oxygen cylinders have been supplied to States/UTs/ Central Government hospitals so far (as on 14th September, 2020).

Various cadres of personnel and volunteers across sectors and departments for COVID related works and maintenance of other essential medical services have been worked out, trained through resources made available on the website of MoHFW, iGOT (online platform) by DOPT (https://igot.gov.in/igot/).

MoHFW website is being daily to provide general public with information on current status of COVID-19 spread in India. Communication material is also being hosted on MoHFW website and through social media. A dedicated call centre / helpline (1075) has been started to guide community at large which are being used by the citizens very effectively and on a regular basis.

More than 30 vaccine candidates have been supported which are in different stages of development, 3 candidates are in advanced stage of Phase I/II/III trials and more than 4 are in advanced pre-clinical development stage. A National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for COVID-19 has been constituted on 7th August, 2020, under NITI Ayog. Thirteen clinical trials of repurposed drugs have been undertaken to build a portfolio of therapeutic options for Covid-19 patients.

Further, financial assistance to States/UTs has been given based on the number of cases and trends of COVID-19 Pandemic. Accordingly, all the States/ UTs are provided with necessary financial support under India COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health System Preparedness Package. States /UTs were given flexibility to use the resources available under NHM to prepare the public healthcare system for COVID-19 management.

During FY 2020-21, funds of Rs 4256.79 crore have been released to the States/ UTs as on 10.09.2020 and the State wise amount allocated and released to each State/UT is given at **Annexure II**.

State/UT wise details of number of total COVID-19 cases, active cases, recovered cases and deaths (as on 16-09-2020)

Annexure-I

S. No.	Name of State / UT	Total Cases	Active cases	Recovered/ Discharged/ Migrated cases	Deaths
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	3574	204	3318	52
2	Andhra Pradesh	583925	92353	486531	5041
3	Arunachal Pradesh	6466	1795	4658	13
4	Assam	146575	29180	116903	492
5	Bihar	160871	13055	146980	836
6	Chandigarh	8592	2991	5502	99
7	Chhattisgarh	70777	35909	34279	589
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	2783	229	2552	2
9	Delhi	225796	29787	191203	4806
10	Goa	25511	5102	20094	315
11	Gujarat	116183	16357	96582	3244
12	Haryana	98622	20430	77166	1026
13	Himachal Pradesh	10335	3801	6444	90
14	Jammu and Kashmir	56654	18678	37062	914
15	Jharkhand	64439	14118	49750	571
16	Karnataka	475265	98555	369229	7481
17	Kerala	114033	31226	82341	466
18	Ladakh	3499	938	2517	44
19	Madhya Pradesh	93053	21620	69613	1820
20	Maharashtra	1097856	292174	775273	30409
21	Manipur	8210	1745	6418	47
22	Meghalaya	4036	1818	2190	28
23	Mizoram	1480	558	922	0
24	Nagaland	5229	1269	3945	15
25	Odisha	158650	32267	125738	645
26	Puducherry	20601	4674	15522	405
27	Punjab	84482	21154	60814	2514
28	Rajasthan	105898	16761	87873	1264
29	Sikkim	2173	464	1690	19
30	Tamil Nadu	514208	46806	458900	8502
31	Telengana	162844	30401	131447	996
32	Tripura	20150	7498	12435	217
33	Uttarakhand	34407	10739	23230	438
34	Uttar Pradesh	324036	67335	252097	4604
35	West Bengal	209146	23942	181142	4062
36	India (Total)	5020359	995933	3942360	82066

State-wise Statement showing Central Release of Grants in aid under India COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health System Preapredness Package

(Rs. in Crore)

S. No.	Name of the State/UTs	2020-21
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	9.82
2	Andhra Pradesh	199.87
3	Arunachal Pradesh	17.11
4	Assam	119.10
5	Bihar	113.31
6	Chandigarh	9.39
7	Chhattisgarh	41.89
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	1.77
9	Delhi	255.12
10	Goa	5.98
11	Gujarat	170.75
12	Haryana	106.79
13	Himachal Pradesh	43.97
14	Jammu & Kashmir	143.09
15	Jharkhand	37.95
16	Karnataka	182.15
17	Kerala	309.97
18	Ladakh	20.00
19	Lakshadweep	0.22
20	Madhya Pradesh	185.39
21	Maharashtra	393.82
22	Manipur	11.63
23	Meghalaya	10.85
24	Mizoram	7.6
25	Nagaland	6.77
26	Orissa	65.49
27	Puducherry	3.06
28	Punjab	131.22
29	Rajasthan	285.0
30	Sikkim	5.44
31	Tamil Nadu	511.64
32	Telangana	256.89
33	Tripura	13.55
34	Uttar Pradesh	334.0
35	Uttarakhand	54.98
36	West Bengal	191.14
	Grand Total	4,256.79

Note

- 1. For the FY 2020-21, the UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu have been combined.
- 2. Release for the F.Y. 2020-21 is updated upto 10.09.2020 and is provisional.