

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 949
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th SEPTEMBER, 2020**

ACUTE RESPIRATORY INFECTION

949. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

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

(a) whether Government has noted that the number of deaths due to Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) in West Bengal during the year 2014 to 2019 was more in comparison to the other States/UTs; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

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

(a) & (b): As per National Health Profile, the number of deaths due to Acute Respiratory Infection in the country, State/UT-wise, during the year 2014 to 2018 are available and placed at Annexure. Data for 2019 is not available. From comparison of available data of West Bengal with other States, it may be seen that State of Uttar Pradesh has slightly more deaths than West Bengal. However, no reasons for relatively higher death in West Bengal vis-à-vis other States can be given, as it is a clinical condition.

Annexure

State/UT-wise deaths due to Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) reported during the years 2014 - 2018

S. No.	State /U.T	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 (Provisional)
1	Andhra Pradesh	144	133	95	338	587
2	Arunachal Pradesh	3	7	4	3	0
3	Assam	72	81	200	225	261
4	Bihar	53	40	17	36	2
5	Chhattisgarh	73	62	19	13	15
6	Goa	1	0	4	30	53
7	Gujarat	0	27	16	0	3
8	Haryana	18	36	34	27	38
9	Himachal Pradesh	226	205	166	182	145
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0	5	3	4	0
11	Jharkhand	3	1	0	0	10
12	Karnataka	39	16	99	73	109
13	Kerala	27	38	14	13	35
14	Madhya Pradesh	195	161	185	109	87
15	Maharashtra	1	18	20	4	10
16	Manipur	24	22	21	23	28
17	Meghalaya	5	7	2	8	6
18	Mizoram	43	59	68	36	45
19	Nagaland	0	1	0	23	6
20	Odisha	131	127	95	111	58
21	Punjab	35	71	24	24	24
22	Rajasthan	108	96	63	19	25
23	Sikkim	7	36	43	8	18
24	Tamil Nadu	14	2	1	38	65
25	Telangana	*NA	123	110	26	0
26	Tripura	51	4	7	21	18
27	Uttarakhand	89	77	79	71	86
28	Uttar Pradesh	619	665	868	897	699
29	West Bengal	625	554	638	451	732
30	A & N Islands	0	4	4	2	7
31	Chandigarh	8	36	27	37	35
32	D & N Haveli	3	12	13	16	8
33	Daman & Diu	4	8	0	0	0
34	Delhi	106	133	210	357	492
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	2	26	15	29	33
Total		2,729	2,893	3,164	3,254	3,740

* NA stands for Not Applicable

Source: Monthly Health Condition Reports from Directorate of Health Services of States/UTs