

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1877  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> February, 2021**

**ASHA WORKERS**

**1877. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:  
SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:**

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

- (a) the number of ASHA workers engaged in Uttar Pradesh specially, Jhansi, Lalitpur and Kushinagar;
- (b) whether the Government has examined the role of ASHA's services being used for COVID-19 related activities in the State and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the necessary steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the remuneration of ASHA workers?

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

(a): Public Health and Hospitals being a State subject, all administrative and personnel matters including engagement of ASHAs, lies with the respective State/UT Governments. The district-wise data on the number of ASHAs engaged under National Health Mission (NHM) is being maintained by respective State/UT Governments. Therefore, total number of ASHAs working under National Health Mission (NHM) in Uttar Pradesh, along with number of ASHAs working in the districts of Jhansi, Lalitpur, Kushinagar as received from the State is Annexed

(b): Yes. The ASHAs have undertaken a range of community-based interventions related to containment of COVID-19 spread. These include community awareness through home visits on key aspects related to COVID-19 transmission and prevention, contact tracing, facilitating access to testing etc. The ASHAs are undertaking these activities over and above the other duties they are performing.

(c): Under the National Health Mission, ASHAs are envisaged to be community health volunteer and are entitled to task/activity based incentives. The incentives to ASHAs are regularly being reviewed and activities for which ASHAs would get incentives are expanded from time to time.

In FY 2018-19 the Union Cabinet approved the revised amount of routine recurrent incentive for ASHAs from Rs 1000/month to 2000/month.

Further, an incentive of Rs. 1000/- per month is also provisioned for ASHAs engaged in COVID19 response, under India COVID19 Health System Preparedness and Emergency Repose Package.

As reported by State Government of Uttar Pradesh, the average ASHA payment in the State is Rs.4270/- per month. Apart from this, ASHAs and ASHA Sangini are paid Rs.750/- per month from State budget.

Annexure

Statement showing total number of ASHAs working under National Health Mission (NHM) in Uttar Pradesh, along with number of ASHAs working in the districts of Jhansi, Lalitpur, Kushinagar

S. No	Particulars	Number of ASHAs
1	Uttar Pradesh	154641
2	Jhansi	1260
3	Lalitpur	917
4	Kushinagar	3549

Source : Based on the information received from State Govt. of Uttar Pradesh