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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1892 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 2021

ERADICATION OF TB

1892. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to implement National Strategic Plan (NSP) 2017-25 for eradication of TB, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the time by which the said plan is likely to be started;
- (c) the extent to which the funds earmarked for implementation of NSP (2017-25) are to be used for social welfare assistance scheme;
- (d) the details of the schemes associated with new and ongoing schemes intended for eradication of TB in the country; and
- (e) the mechanism in place to ensure inter-ministerial coordination for integration of TB related programmes and related social welfare schemes?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): The National Strategic Plan (2017-25) was approved by Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare on 8th May 2017 and is being implemented in the entire country with the goal of Ending TB by 2025.
- (c): Under the National Strategic Plan (NSP) for Tuberculosis (2017-2025), 20%, 22% and 24% of the funds have been earmarked for social welfare assistance in years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 respectively.

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Amount (In			
crores)	612.60	907.53	1223.94
As % of total budget	20%	22%	24%
Total NSP			
proposed budget	3135.61	4115.64	5075.95

- (d): The following ongoing schemes are being implemented under the National TB Elimination Programme:
 - Support of 750 rupees is being provided to all TB patients in tribal notified blocks towards travel support
 - Treatment Supporters' honorarium are provided to Community treatment Supporters who support patients during the treatment, leading to a successful outcome @Rs.1000 for Drug Sensitive TB, Rs 2000 for completion of Intensive Phase and Rs.3000 on completion of Continuation Phase of treatment for Drug Resistant TB.

Following new schemes are also being implemented:

- Nikshay Poshan Yojana is being implemented from 01st April 2018, wherein 500 rupees per month is being provided to All TB patients towards nutritional support for the duration of their treatment.
- Incentives for Private sector Providers (Private Practitioners, Hospital, Laboratory & Chemist) who notify TB patient on Nikshay are provided Rs.500 on notification and another Rs.500 for updating the patient's treatment outcome.
- (e): The Ministry has established an Inter-Ministerial Coordination committee under the chairpersonship of Secretary (Health and Family Welfare) with representation from 18 Ministries including Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of Labor & Employment, etc. for smooth linkages between the TB programme and various ministries.