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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3967 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH March, 2021

TB HAREGA DESH JEETEGA

3967. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH: SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:

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

- (a) the number of Tuberculosis (TB) patients in Rajasthan and Bihar during the last three years;
- (b) the extent to which the said disease has been controlled in Rajasthan and Bihar through the campaign, 'TB Harega Desh Jeetega';
- (c) the details of the efforts proposed to be made for TB eradication in Rajasthan and Bihar by the year 2025; and
- (d) the details of the assistance being provided to TB patients in these States?

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

(a): The number of TB cases notified in Rajasthan and Bihar during the last three years is as below:

| State | 2018 (Jan to Dec) | 2019 (Jan to Dec) | 2020(Jan to Dec) |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Bihar | 106781 | 122563 | 99371 |
| Rajasthan | 155330 | 174034 | 137606 |

- (b): As compared to 2019, the treatment success rate of Bihar has improved by 2% and that of Rajasthan 3%.
- (c): The Government of India has developed a National Strategic Plan (2017-25) for Ending TB in the country by 2025. The key focus areas are:
- Early diagnosis of all the TB patients, prompt treatment with quality assured drugs and treatment regimens along with suitable patient support systems to promote adherence.
- Engaging with the patients seeking care in the private sector.
- Prevention strategies including active case finding and contact tracing in high risk / vulnerable population
- Airborne infection control.
- Multi-sectoral response for addressing social determinants.

(d): Under NTEP, all over the country, including in Rajasthan and Bihar TB patients are provided free drugs, diagnosis and treatment facilities.

Additionally, TB patients are provided Rs. 500/- per month for the duration of their treatment for nutrition support under Nikshay Poshan Yojana. Details of number of beneficiary in the two States are annexed.

Annexure I

Details of beneficiary under the Nikshay Poshan Yojana

| Voor | Bihar | Rajasthan |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Year | Beneficiary Paid | Beneficiary Paid |
| 2018 (April-Dec) | 53068 | 88501 |
| 2019 (Jan-Dec) | 73639 | 91154 |
| 2020 (Jan-Dec) | 51503 | 56485 |
| TOTAL | 178210 | 236140 |