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

#### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2109 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2021

## **INCREASE IN TB DEATHS DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

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

- a) whether the Government has taken note that the COVID-19 pandemic has reversed years of progress in tackling tuberculosis and for the first time in over a decade, TB deaths have increased;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether as per the World Health Organisation, India was worse on the list of countries which contributed most to the global reduction in TB notification between 2019 and 2020; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

## THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a)-(b) The Government is aware of decline in TB case notification during the year 2020. A total of 18.12 lakh TB cases were notified under the programme in 2020 (Jan-Dec), which was 25% less than the total cases notified in 2019 (which was 24.00 lakhs). In 2021, in spite of a larger 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of COVID-19, the programme has been able to notify 17.63 lakh TB cases (till Oct,2021), which is 18% higher as compared to 2020 (Jan-Oct).

The deaths due to TB reported under the programme has remained static in 2020 at around 4%, similar to the pre-COVID times.

(c)-(d): India has reported a decline of 25% in TB case notification in 2020 as compared to 2019.

Among the 49 High burden countries that are listed by the World Health Organization in 2020, there are 10 other countries above India, who have reported a decline in notification of more than 25%.

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| Sl  |   |                            | 2020        | 2019                       |            |
|-----|---|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|------------|
| No. | State                                       | TB<br>patients<br>Notified | Death Rate  | TB<br>patients<br>Notified | Death Rate |
| 1   | Andaman & Nicobar Islands                   | 554                        | 25 (4.5%)   | 523                        | 12 (2%)    |
| 2   | Andhra Pradesh                              | 96469                      | 3585 (3.7%) | 90680                      | 3636 (4%)  |
| 3   | Arunachal Pradesh                           | 2864                       | 64 (2.2%)   | 2900                       | 59 (2%)    |
| 4   | Assam                                       | 47779                      | 1840 (3.9%) | 41676                      | 1562 (4%)  |
| 5   | Bihar                                       | 123027                     | 2975 (2.4%) | 106189                     | 2577 (2%)  |
| 6   | Chandigarh                                  | 3454                       | 114 (3.3%)  | 3222                       | 94 (3%)    |
| 7   | Chhattisgarh                                | 42845                      | 1603 (3.7%) | 40527                      | 1403 (3%)  |
| 8   | Dadra and Nagar Haveli and<br>Daman and Diu | 984                        | 25 (2.5%)   | 952                        | 29 (3%)    |
| 9   | Delhi                                       | 93819                      | 2111 (2.3%) | 71928                      | 1367 (2%)  |
| 10  | Goa   | 2271                       | 72 (3.2%)   | 2240                       | 71 (3%)    |
| 11  | Gujarat                                     | 150999                     | 6870 (4.5%) | 148695                     | 6436 (4%)  |
| 12  | Haryana                                     | 72370                      | 2809 (3.9%) | 61983                      | 2284 (4%)  |
| 13  | Himachal Pradesh                            | 17368                      | 837 (4.8%)  | 16595                      | 661 (4%)   |
| 14  | Jammu & Kashmir                             | 11345                      | 295 (2.6%)  | 11890                      | 278 (2%)   |
| 15  | Jharkhand                                   | 56524                      | 1314 (2.3%) | 48669                      | 1163 (2%)  |
| 16  | Karnataka                                   | 87168                      | 5605 (6.4%) | 78918                      | 4868 (6%)  |
| 17  | Kerala                                      | 25267                      | 1828 (7.2%) | 24572                      | 1163 (5%)  |
| 18  | Ladakh                                      | 412                        | 23 (5.6%)   | NA                         | NA         |
| 19  | Lakshadweep                                 | 22                         | 2 (9.1%)    | 19                         | 0 (0%)     |
| 20  | Madhya Pradesh                              | 183177                     | 5485 (3.0%) | 152846                     | 4316 (3%)  |
| 21  | Maharashtra                                 | 210754                     | 8785 (4.2%) | 191294                     | 7114 (4%)  |
| 22  | Manipur                                     | 2623                       | 74 (2.8%)   | 2862                       | 72 (3%)    |
| 23  | Meghalaya                                   | 4963                       | 186 (3.7%)  | 4459                       | 145 (3%)   |
| 24  | Mizoram                                     | 2930                       | 48 (1.6%)   | 2576                       | 53 (2%)    |
| 25  | Nagaland                                    | 4693                       | 108 (2.3%)  | 4322                       | 95 (2%)    |
| 26  | Odisha                                      | 52279                      | 2738 (5.2%) | 48307                      | 2522 (5%)  |
| 27  | Puducherry                                  | 1565                       | 116 (7.4%)  | 1542                       | 92 (6%)    |
| 28  | Punjab                                      | 58178                      | 2824 (4.9%) | 52217                      | 2355 (5%)  |
| 29  | Rajasthan                                   | 169311                     | 4767 (2.8%) | 152547                     | 4178 (3%)  |

# Statewise TB Case Notification & Death Rate for 2019 & 2020

|     | State         | 2020     |              | 2019     |              |
|-----|---------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| Sl  |               | TB       |              | TB       |              |
| No. |               | patients | Death Rate   | patients | Death Rate   |
|     |               | Notified |              | Notified |              |
| 30  | Sikkim        | 1229     | 45 (3.7%)    | 1340     | 32 (2%)      |
| 31  | Tamil Nadu    | 109772   | 5365 (4.9%)  | 101101   | 4083 (4%)    |
| 32  | Telangana     | 69076    | 2392 (3.5%)  | 51318    | 1850 (4%)    |
| 33  | Tripura       | 2936     | 173 (5.9%)   | 2702     | 127 (5%)     |
| 34  | Uttar Pradesh | 486310   | 18409 (3.8%) | 406312   | 13424 (3%)   |
| 35  | Uttarakhand   | 24504    | 894 (3.6%)   | 20561    | 690 (3%)     |
| 36  | West Bengal   | 108497   | 5417 (5.0%)  | 101033   | 4571 (5%)    |
| 37  | India         | 2328338  | 89823 (3.9%) | 2049517  | 73382 (4.4%) |

|     | PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN NOTIFICATION OF 2020 COMPARED TO 2019 IN 49 |           |   |              |  |  |  |
|-----|--|-----------|---|--------------|--|--|--|
|     | HIGH BURDEN COUNTRIES  |           |   |              |  |  |  |
| Sr. |  | NOTIFICAT | NOTIFICATION (SOURCE: Global TB Report) |              |  |  |  |
| No. |  |           |   | % CHANGE IN  |  |  |  |
|     | COUNTRIES  |           |   | 2020 AGAINST |  |  |  |
|     |  | 2019      | 2020                                    | 2019         |  |  |  |
| 1   | Philippines  | 4,09,167  | 2,56,541                                | -37%         |  |  |  |
| 2   | Republic of Moldova  | 2,809     | 1,767                                   | -37%         |  |  |  |
| 3   | Lesotho  | 7,059     | 4,565                                   | -35%         |  |  |  |
| 4   | Belarus  | 2,207     | 1,514                                   | -31%         |  |  |  |
| 5   | Indonesia  | 5,59,847  | 3,84,025                                | -31%         |  |  |  |
| 6   | Kyrgyzstan   | 6,138     | 4,241                                   | -31%         |  |  |  |
| 7   | Ukraine  | 25,379    | 17,533                                  | -31%         |  |  |  |
| 8   | Tajikistan   | 5,755     | 4,148                                   | -28%         |  |  |  |
| 9   | Uzbekistan   | 16,272    | 12,111                                  | -26%         |  |  |  |
| 10  | Eswatini   | 2,876     | 2,143                                   | -25%         |  |  |  |
| 11  | India  | 21,62,323 | 16,29,301                               | -25%         |  |  |  |
| 12  | Peru   | 31,764    | 23,755                                  | -25%         |  |  |  |
| 13  | Zimbabwe   | 21,008    | 15,728                                  | -25%         |  |  |  |
| 14  | Azerbaijan   | 4,823     | 3,683                                   | -24%         |  |  |  |
| 15  | Kazakhstan   | 12,501    | 9,603                                   | -23%         |  |  |  |
| 16  | Myanmar  | 1,34,501  | 1,03,373                                | -23%         |  |  |  |
| 17  | Bangladesh   | 2,91,595  | 2,30,081                                | -21%         |  |  |  |
| 18  | Libya  | 2,215     | 1,748                                   | -21%         |  |  |  |
| 19  | Botswana   | 3,089     | 2,484                                   | -20%         |  |  |  |
| 20  | Russian Federation   | 73,328    | 58,723                                  | -20%         |  |  |  |
| 21  | Namibia  | 7,801     | 6,509                                   | -17%         |  |  |  |
| 22  | Pakistan   | 3,28,312  | 2,72,990                                | -17%         |  |  |  |
| 23  | Angola   | 74,105    | 63,147                                  | -15%         |  |  |  |
| 24  | Kenya  | 84,345    | 71,646                                  | -15%         |  |  |  |
| 25  | China  | 7,28,265  | 6,24,715                                | -14%         |  |  |  |
| 26  | Nepal  | 31,495    | 27,282                                  | -13%         |  |  |  |
| 27  | Brazil   | 85,154    | 74,826                                  | -12%         |  |  |  |
| 28  | Sierra Leone   | 17,794    | 15,706                                  | -12%         |  |  |  |

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|         | 49 HIGH BURDEN COUNTRIES                                      |          |          |              |  |  |
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| SI. NO. |   |          |          | % CHANGE IN  |  |  |
|         | COUNTRIES   |          |          | 2020 AGAINST |  |  |
|         |   | 2019     | 2020     | 2019         |  |  |
| 29      | Gabon   | 5,399    | 4,879    | -10%         |  |  |
| 30      | Malawi  | 16,902   | 15,133   | -10%         |  |  |
| 31      | Mongolia  | 4,277    | 3,861    | -10%         |  |  |
| 32      | Cameroon  | 24,319   | 22,056   | -9%          |  |  |
| 33      | South Africa  | 2,09,545 | 1,91,074 | -9%          |  |  |
| 34      | Papua New Guinea  | 30,671   | 28,227   | -8%          |  |  |
| 35      | Uganda  | 65,897   | 60,887   | -8%          |  |  |
| 36      | Democratic People's   | 95,722   | 89,640   |              |  |  |
|         | Republic of Korea   | 93,122   |          | -6%          |  |  |
| 37      | Congo   | 11,802   | 11,175   | -5%          |  |  |
| 38      | Guinea  | 16,390   | 15,612   | -5%          |  |  |
| 39      | Ethiopia  | 1,11,039 | 1,08,193 | -3%          |  |  |
| 40      | Viet Nam  | 1,02,503 | 99,852   | -3%          |  |  |
| 41      | Thailand  | 87,789   | 85,837   | -2%          |  |  |
| 42      | Mozambique  | 96,024   | 96,203   | 0%           |  |  |
| 43      | Somalia   | 16,918   | 17,203   | 2%           |  |  |
| 44      | United Republic of  | 81,208   | 84,791   | 4%           |  |  |
|         | Tanzania  | 81,208   | 04,791   | 4%           |  |  |
| 45      | Central African Republic                                      | 12,046   | 12,610   | 5%           |  |  |
| 46      | Guinea-Bissau   | 2,407    | 2,543    | 6%           |  |  |
| 47      | Zambia  | 36,150   | 40,000   | 11%          |  |  |
| 48      | Democratic Republic of the                                    | 1 79 507 | 2 00 055 |              |  |  |
|         | Congo   | 1,78,527 | 2,00,955 | 13%          |  |  |
| 49      | Nigeria   | 1,17,320 | 1,35,784 | 16%          |  |  |