

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2256
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2021**

**BEARING PATHOLOGY INVESTIGATION COSTS UNDER
AYUSHMAN BHARAT SCHEME**

2256. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

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

- (a) whether the beneficiaries have to bear the cost of the tests done during the treatment of many critical diseases covered under the Ayushman Bharat scheme as these tests are not included in the package of treatment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to include such tests under the scheme

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (c): Treatment packages under Ayushman Bharat -Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) are designed in a manner that the beneficiaries do not have to make any payment from their pocket. These treatment packages are very comprehensive and inclusive of the cost of all the indicative tests that may be required as part of the patient's diagnosis and treatment. For certain expensive high-end investigations, the following procedures may be booked as "Add-on" packages.

- High-end radiological diagnostics (CT, MRI, Imaging including nuclear imaging)
- High-end histopathology (biopsies) and advanced serology investigations

Under Ayushman Bharat -Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs), diagnostic services for non-communicable diseases viz. Hypertension, Diabetes, Oral cancer, Breast cancer and Cervical cancer are provided free of cost to all citizens of the country.