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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1886 TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND AUGUST, 2024

ANDHRA PRADESH COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CARE PROJECT

1886. SHRI APPALANAIDU KALISETHI: SHRI SRIBHARAT MATHUKUMILLI:

Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount of funds allocated/disbursed under the Andhra Pradesh Comprehensive Cancer Care (APCCC) Project during the last three years, district-wise/year-wise;
- (b) the status of the infrastructure development under the APCCC Project, including progress on establishing oncology departments, chemotherapy centers, and procurement of medical equipment across the district hospitals in Andhra Pradesh, along with details of fund utilization, till date, year-wise/district-wise;
- (c) whether there is any challenges/delays encountered in implementing the approved projects, if so the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of availability of subsidies or financial support specifically for vaccinations against cervical, vulvar, and vaginal cancers in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the State Government to include vaccinations against cervical, vulvar, and vaginal cancers as the State's healthcare initiatives to ensure the widespread access and coverage during the last three years, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) to (c): "The Department of Health & Family Welfare, is implementing the strengthening of Tertiary Care Cancer Centre facility Scheme to enhance the facilities for tertiary care of Cancer under National Programme for Prevention & Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme under NHM. Under the Scheme financial assistance upto ₹120 crore for State Cancer Institute (SCI) and upto ₹45 crore for Tertiary Cancer Care Centre (TCCC) which includes State share is provided. The funds sharing ratio between Centre and State is 60:40 while for North East and Hilly States the ratio is 90:10. 19-SCIs and 20-TCCCs are approved under the said Scheme.

In Andhra Pradesh, setting up of SCI is approved at Kurnool Medical College, Kurnool at a cost of ₹ 120 Crore including the state share. Out of Centre Share of ₹ 72 Crore(60% of approved cost), ₹ 54 Crore has been released. Government of Andhra Pradesh has informed that infrastructure work has been completed.

(d) and (e): In June 2022, National Technical Advisory Group for Immunization (NTAGI) recommended introduction of HPV vaccine in the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) with a onetime catch up for 9-14 year-old adolescent girls followed with routine introduction at 9 years of age. As per interim budget announcement (2024), the Government of India will encourage vaccination for girls in age group of 9 to 14 years for prevention of Cervical Cancer.
