

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1932
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6th DECEMBER, 2024**

SPECIAL DIAGNOSTICS CENTRE FOR TREATMENT OF CANCER

1932. SHRI KALI CHARAN SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up special diagnostic centres for prevention examination and treatment of Cancer in the country in view of the rising cases of Cancer;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the policies of the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide better facilities to cancer patients in each district and State by expanding institutions like Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital for prevention and treatment of cancer, in view of the rising cases of cancer and death rate in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD) as part of National Health Mission (NHM). The programme focusses on strengthening infrastructure, human resource development, early diagnosis, referral to an appropriate level of healthcare facility for treatment and management and health promotion and awareness generation for prevention of Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) including cancer. Under NP-NCD, 770 District NCD Clinics, 372 District Day Care Centres for chemotherapy and 6410 Community Health Centre NCD Clinics has been set up.

A population-based initiative for screening, management and prevention of common NCDs including cancer have been rolled out as a part of comprehensive Primary Health Care in the country under National Health Mission (NHM). Screening of oral, cervical and breast cancer is an integral part of service delivery.

Further, initiatives for increasing public awareness for cancer and for promotion of healthy lifestyle include observance of National Cancer Awareness day, World Cancer Day, use of print, electronic and social media for continued community awareness. Financial support under National Health Mission (NHM) for awareness generation activities for NCDs

including cancer is provided to States/Union Territories as per their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

Healthy Eating" is promoted through "Eat Right India movement" of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI). "Fit India movement" is implemented by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. Various Yoga related activities are carried out by Ministry of AYUSH.

(c) & (d): The Central Government implements Strengthening of Tertiary Cancer Care Facilities Scheme in order to enhance the facilities for cancer care at tertiary level. Under this scheme, 19 State Cancer Institutes (SCIs) and 20 Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCCs) have been approved. National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar (Haryana) and second campus of Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata have also been setup with state-of-art diagnostic, advanced radiation, medical and surgical care facilities. All new AIIMS and upgraded existing Government Medical Colleges/Institutions under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna (PMSSY) also focus on treatment of cancer.

The Department of Atomic Energy has established 9 cancer hospitals under Tata Memorial Centre in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, New Chandigarh, Sangrur, Varanasi (2), Muzaffarpur, Guwahati, Vishakapatnam.
