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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2044 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06TH DECEMBER, 2024

BENEFICIARIES UNDER AYUSHMAN BHARAT YOJANA

2044. SHRI RAM SHIROMANI VERMA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified all the eligible beneficiaries in the country under Ayushman Bharat Yojana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has identified and completed the process of empanelling adequate number of hospitals under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of the hospitals empanelled at present including Uttar Pradesh, State/UT-wise?

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

(a) and (b): Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is an entitlement-based scheme, all the eligible beneficiary families are covered from day one of the implementation of the scheme in the State/UT. AB-PMJAY does not require enrolment, however, a beneficiary verification process is undertaken to verify the genuineness of the beneficiary. Ayushman cards are issued to all eligible beneficiaries as part of this process.

Over the last six years, numerous efforts have been made to spread awareness about the scheme and to ensure that the benefits of the scheme reach the last mile. As a result of these initiatives, more than 35.8 crore Ayushman cards have been created. The details of such initiatives are as follows:

i. Field Level Workers (FLWs) like ASHA workers, frontline workers under Panchayati Raj, Self Help Groups under the National Rural Livelihood Mission

- (NRLM) have been entrusted with beneficiary mobilization and IEC related activities.
- ii. Campaigns through radio and television, mass messaging through SMS, print media advertisement, announcements at railway stations, radio & television interviews, branding of two long-distance trains, advertisement through outdoor hoarding, auto rickshaw branding etc.
- iii. Ayushman Bhava campaign and Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra were launched to expedite the Ayushman card creation process.

(c) to (e): As on 31.10.2024, a total of 29,870 hospitals are empaneled under the scheme, out of which 13,173 are private hospitals. Further, hospital empanelment is a continuous process and is undertaken based on the requirements and availability of healthcare providers (meeting AB-PMJAY criteria) within a given State/UT. Therefore, no target is fixed with respect to the empanelment of hospitals. As public health is a State subject, the responsibility of empaneling hospitals under PMJAY lies with the respective State/UT. The Government of India encourages States/UTs to empanel more hospitals under the scheme to ensure access to quality healthcare to all eligible beneficiaries. Various central ministries such as Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Home Affairs have been engaged to identify and empanel hospitals run by these ministries. State/UT-wise details of number of hospitals empanelled under the scheme are at **Annexure**.

State/UT-wise number of hospitals empanelled under the scheme

State/UT	Number of Hospitals empanelled
Andaman And Nicobar Islands	7
Andhra Pradesh	2467
Arunachal Pradesh	50
Assam	353
Bihar	1022
Chandigarh	31
Chhattisgarh	1623
Dadra And Nagar Haveli	13
Daman And Diu	7
Delhi	67
Goa	16
Gujarat	2664
Haryana	1226
Himachal Pradesh	280
Jammu And Kashmir	253
Jharkhand	562
Karnataka	3549
Kerala	585
Ladakh	9
Lakshadweep	5
Madhya Pradesh	1052
Maharashtra	1008
Manipur	68
Meghalaya	172
Mizoram	88
Nagaland	76
Odisha	12
Puducherry	30
Punjab	774
Rajasthan	1904
Sikkim	19
Tamil Nadu	2213
Telangana	1389
Tripura	138
Uttar Pradesh	5802
Uttarakhand	294
West Bengal	42

Note: Data as on 31st Oct 2024