

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 499
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH APRIL, 2025**

AYUSHMAN BHARAT YOJANA IN TAMIL NADU

***499. SHRI THARANIVENTHAN M S:**

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

- (a) the status of implementation of Ayushman Bharat Yojana including the number of beneficiaries covered under the said scheme in Tamil Nadu including Arani district so far;
- (b) the number of Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centers (AB-HWCs) established in Tamil Nadu including Arani district alongwith their distribution across urban and rural areas;
- (c) the efforts made by the Government to raise awareness about the Ayushman Bharat scheme among the people especially in remote and rural areas of Arani district in Tamil Nadu;
- (d) the financial assistance provided to eligible families under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY), a component of the Ayushman Bharat Yojana in Tamil Nadu alongwith the details of treatments covered thereunder; and
- (e) the plans to expand the Ayushman Bharat Yojana in Tamil Nadu including the increase in the number of hospitals and beneficiaries under the scheme?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

- (a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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In the State of Tamil Nadu, Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is implemented in convergence with the State-specific scheme, Chief Minister's Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme, and is operationalized in Insurance mode.

A total of 1.71 crore beneficiary families are eligible for healthcare benefits under the converged scheme, out of which 1.16 crore families are supported by the Central and State governments together under AB-PMJAY. The rest of the families are exclusively supported by the State.

Arani is a Parliamentary Constituency in Tiruvannamalai District of Tamil Nadu. Parliamentary Constituency-wise data is not captured under the scheme; however, district-wise data is available. A total of 3.5 lakh beneficiary families are covered in Tiruvannamalai District of Tamil Nadu.

Number of Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs) operationalized in the State of Tamil Nadu including Arani block are as under:

AAM operational	Tamil Nadu	Arani block
AYUSH	650	1
Urban	500	1
Sub-Health Centre (Rural)	5215	32
Primary Health Centre (Rural)	1421	9
Urban Primary Health Centre	460	1
Total	8246	44

The Government raises awareness through large-scale IEC campaigns and Ayushman card creation drives ensuring outreach to eligible beneficiaries, especially in remote and rural areas.

AB-PMJAY is a flagship scheme of the Government which provides health cover of Rs. 5 lakh per eligible beneficiary family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization in 27 different medical specialties corresponding to 1961 procedures.

The Government of India encourages States/UTs to empanel more hospitals under the scheme to ensure greater access to quality healthcare to all eligible beneficiaries. As on date, a total of 30,957 empanelled hospitals, including 13,866 private hospitals and 17,091 public hospitals, have been empanelled across the country under the scheme, including 1,225 private hospitals and 1,020 public hospitals in the State of Tamil Nadu.

Further, regular updation such as expansion of beneficiary base, inclusion of new procedures, empanelment of new hospitals and other improvements are done in the scheme as per requirements from time to time.
