

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †5628
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2025**

BASIC HEALTH SERVICES

†5628. SHRI SANATAN PANDEY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has announced any special package for revamping basic health services in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the health facilities likely to be made available under this package;
- (d) whether it is likely to improve the quality of health services in rural areas of the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (e): “Public Health & Hospitals” is a State subject, hence, the primary responsibility of providing basic health services to all the citizens of the country lies with respective State/UT Government. However, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs for revamping basic health services with an aim to provide Comprehensive Primary Health Care (CPHC) that includes effective, affordable, quality and accessible healthcare at the community level with continuum of care approach under National Health Mission (NHM).

In February 2018, the Government of India announced establishment of 1,50,000 Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs), erstwhile Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs), across the country by December 2022 by transforming existing Sub-Health Centres (SHC) and Primary Health Centres (PHC) in rural and urban areas to deliver the expanded range of comprehensive primary healthcare services with complete 12 package of basic healthcare services. These primarily health services include Reproductive and Child Health (RMNCHA+N) services, Communicable Diseases, Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) (screening and management for NCDs such as Hypertension, Diabetes and 3 common cancers of Oral, Breast and Cervix) and incrementally adding other services for mental health, ENT, Ophthalmology, oral health, geriatric and palliative health care and trauma care etc. AAMs also conduct various wellness related activities like Yoga, Zumba, Shirodhara, Meditation etc. which enable improved physical and mental health. As on 28th February, 2025, a total of 1,76,573 Ayushman Arogya Mandir are operational across the country.
