

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 778  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025**

**RURAL HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE IN WEST BENGAL**

**778. SHRI RAJU BISTA:**

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

- (a) the details of financial allocations made towards the development of Rural Health Infrastructure in the State of West Bengal since 2019, district-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details of Health projects initiated in the districts of Darjeeling and Kalimpong since 2019, district-wise/block-wise and year-wise;
- (c) the details of Health infrastructure created/under construction/completed in the districts of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur since 2019, year-wise; and
- (d) the number of beneficiaries in Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts under the various Health related schemes since 2019, district-wise and year-wise?

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

(a) to (d): Under the National Health Mission, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs to strengthen the public healthcare system including recruitment of health care professionals and to bridge the infrastructure gaps in rural areas based on the proposals received from the States/UTs in the form of Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs). Government of India provides approval for the proposal in the form of Record of Proceedings (RoPs) as per norms & available resources. The year-wise details of financial allocations made towards the development of Rural Health Infrastructure in the State of West Bengal from FY-2019-20 to FY-2023-24 is as under:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>SPIP Approvals (Rs. in Lakhs)</b>
<b>2019-20</b>	16,269.00
<b>2020-21</b>	17,727.50
<b>2021-22</b>	7,851.58
<b>2022-23</b>	9,298.13
<b>2023-24</b>	502.25

Note: SPIP Approval is as per the available Financial Management Reports submitted by State/UTs and are provisional.

The details of health projects approved for the State of West Bengal including districts of Darjeeling and Kalimpong since 2019 are available in public domain at:

<https://nhm.gov.in/index4.php?lang=1&level=0&linkid=62&lid=75>

In addition to the National Health Mission, Government of India has allocated the following funds for health infrastructure to West Bengal including districts of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur:

- **PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)** envisages increased investments in public health and other health reforms to provide better access to health in rural areas. PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM) envisages increased investments in public health and other health reforms to provide better access to health in rural areas. Administrative approvals have been accorded to the State of West Bengal, for four years (i.e. FY 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 & 2024-25) for an amount of Rs. 1309.84 Cr. for establishment and strengthening 510 Urban- AAM (U-AAM), 23 Integrated Public Health Laboratories (IPHLs) and 22 Critical Care Blocks (CCBs) at District Hospitals and Medical College level, as per proposal of the State as per proposal of the State.
- Under **Fifteenth Finance Commission (FC-XV)** for the State of West Bengal, an approval of Rs. 1,285.58 Cr. has been given over the five year period from FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26 for establishment and strengthening of 1759 Building-less Sub Health Centres/ Primary Health Centres/CHCs (1670 SHCs, 80 PHCs and 9 CHCs) and 341

Block Public Health Units (BPHUs) as per proposal of the State.

The year-wise details of Health projects initiated under PM-ABHIM and FC-XV in the districts of Darjeeling and Kalimpong are at **Annexure-I**.

- The **Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY)** aims at correcting regional imbalances in the availability of affordable tertiary healthcare services and to augment facilities for quality medical education in the country. Under the Scheme approvals has been accorded for Establishment of One new All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) at Kalyani and upgradation of four Government Medical Colleges/ Institutions (GMCI)s viz. (1)Kolkata Medical College (2) BS Medical College, Bankura (3) Govt. Medical College, Malda and (4) North Bengal Medical College, Siliguri, Darjeeling for the State of West Bengal.
- Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for '**Establishment of new medical colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals**' with preference to underserved areas and aspirational districts, where there is no existing Government or private medical college. 11 medical colleges were approved in West Bengal State at Districts Birbhum (Rampur Hat), Cooch Behar, Diamond Harbour, Purulia, North Dinajpur, Barasat, Uluberia, Arambagh, Jhargram, Tamaluk and Jalpaiguri. All the 11 approved medical Colleges are functional.

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**Annexure-I**

**Details of Health projects under PM-ABHIM and FC-XV in the districts of Darjeeling and Kalimpong in West Bengal**

**No of units approved under PM ABHIM and FC-XV for the Districts of Darjeeling:**

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Building-less SHCs (Units)</b>	<b>Building-less PHCs(Units)</b>	<b>BPHU (Units)</b>	<b>Critical Care Blocks (50 Bedded) (Units)</b>	<b>Integrated Public Health Laboratory(Units)</b>
2021-22	4	-	2	-	-
2022-23	3	-	4	1	-
2023-24	29	2	3	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	1

**No of units approved under PM ABHIM and FC-XV for the Districts of Kalimpong:**

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Building-less SHCs</b>	<b>Building-less PHCs</b>	<b>BPHU</b>	<b>Integrated Public Health Laboratory</b>
2021-22	1	-	1	-
2022-23	1	-	2	-
2023-24	-	1	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	1