

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 907
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07th FEBRUARY, 2025**

STUDY ON PREVALENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS CASES

907. COM. SELVARAJ V:

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

- (a) whether as per study the actual prevalence of Tuberculosis cases are very likely to be much more than the reported prevalence rates and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the efforts made by the Government to identify the real cases of prevalence of TB;
- (c) the details of India's TB incidence from the years 2014 to 2024;
- (d) the number of deaths per minute occurred due to TB since 2014;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted a socio-economic study of spread and prevalence of TB and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government is likely to take up an urgent survey in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the details of the budgetary allocation made since 2014 to eradicate TB?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) to (g) The Ministry through Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has conducted a National TB Prevalence Survey in 20 State/group of States to assess burden of TB at sub-national level. The survey found that the prevalence of all forms of TB cases in 2021 for all ages was 312/lakh population in the country. As per the Global TB Report 2024, the incidence of TB in India has reduced from 237/lakh population in 2015 to 195/lakh population in 2023.

Further, to find all TB cases and initiate appropriate treatment, the key activities undertaken are as under:

- Targeted interventions in high TB burden areas through State and district specific strategic plans.
- Provision of free drugs and diagnostics to TB patients.
- Active TB case finding campaigns in key vulnerable populations and individuals with co-morbidities.
- Decentralized TB screening and treatment services to the level of AyushmanArogyaMandir.
- Private sector engagement with incentives for notification and management of TB cases.
- Scale up of molecular diagnostic laboratories to sub-district levels.
- Intensified Information, Education & Communication interventions to reduce stigma, enhance community awareness and improve health seeking behaviour.
- Converge efforts and resources of line ministries for TB elimination.
- Provision of TB Preventive Treatment to contacts of TB patients and vulnerable population.
- Track notified TB cases and their contacts through Ni-kshay portal.
- Provision of TB Preventive Treatment to eligible contacts of TB patients and vulnerable population.

Further, the details of estimated TB incidence, TB deaths per minute and the details of the budgetary allocation for TB, since 2014 are placed at **Table 1 & 2 of Annexure.**

The details of TB incidence and TB deaths/minute, since 2014, is as under:

Table 1: Details of estimated TB incidence and TB deaths/minute, since 2014			
Year	Estimated TB Incidence (in absolute numbers)	Estimated TB Mortality (in absolute numbers)	Estimated TB Mortality (in absolute numbers) per minute
2014	3190000	392000	0.75
2015	3140000	375000	0.71
2016	3030000	359000	0.68
2017	2950000	346000	0.66
2018	2860000	336000	0.64
2019	2810000	322000	0.61
2020	2740000	336000	0.64
2021	2830000	349000	0.66
2022	2840000	324000	0.62
2023	2800000	315000	0.60

Data Source: Global TB Report 2024.

The details of the budgetary allocation for TB, since FY 2013-14 to eradicate TB are as under:

Table 2: Budgetary allocation made for TB elimination during 2014-15 and 2024-25	
Year	Budgetary Allocation (Rs. in Crores)
2014-15	640.00
2015-16	640.00
2016-17	677.78
2017-18	2791.00
2018-19	3140.00
2019-20	3333.21
2020-21	3109.93
2021-22	3409.94
2022-23	1666.33*
2023-24	1888.82*
2024-25 [#]	2071.03*

* from the year 2022-23 onwards the allocation is excluding of cash grant to States/UTs which is being released by NHM directly to States/ UTs as a common pool i.e. RCH Flexible Pool which includes TB.

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