

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1002
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY, 2025**

INCREASE IN HEALTH COVER UNDER AB-PMJAY

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

- (a) the criteria fixed for availing the benefits under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana;
- (b) the details of the beneficiaries under this scheme in Uttar Pradesh including Baghpat Lok Sabha Constituency during each of the last five years, Lok Sabha Constituency-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the amount of health cover under this scheme; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done?

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

(a): Under Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), the eligibility criteria for the beneficiary families were initially identified from the Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) of 2011 on the basis of 6 deprivation and 11 occupational criteria across rural and urban areas respectively. Further, in January 2022, on the basis of decadal growth rate of 11.7%, Government of India revised the beneficiary base to 12 crore families and provided the flexibility to States/UTs to use other databases (of similar socio-economic profile) for verification of beneficiaries against such SECC beneficiaries who could not be identified and verified. Many of the States and Union Territories (UTs) implementing AB-PMJAY have further expanded the beneficiary base at their own cost under the scheme using non-SECC data sources (including National Food Security Act, State specific datasets).

In March 2024, the eligibility criteria under the scheme were expanded to include 37 lakh Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs), Anganwadi Workers (AWWs), Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) and their families. Further, in October 2024, the government expanded AB-PMJAY to provide free treatment benefits of up to ₹5 lakh per year to approximately 6 crore senior citizens aged 70 years and above, belonging to 4.5 crore families, irrespective of their socio-economic status, through Vay Vandana cards.

(b): Constituency-wise data is not captured in the scheme, instead, district-wise data is available. District-wise and year-wise details of number of Ayushman cards created in Uttar Pradesh in the last five years are at **Annexure**.

(c) and (d): AB-PMJAY currently provides free healthcare access up to Rs. 5 lakh per eligible beneficiary family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization in 27 different medical specialties corresponding to 1961 procedures. Regular updation such as inclusion of new procedures, empanelment of new hospitals, expansion of beneficiary base and other improvements are done in the scheme as per new requirements from time to time.

Annexure

District-wise and year-wise details of number of Ayushman cards created in Uttar Pradesh in the last five years

District	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Agra	66,871	46,806	1,00,653	4,97,455	53,984
Aligarh	99,006	62,853	1,37,006	5,63,948	36,054
Ambedkar Nagar	45,486	78,035	1,00,306	4,29,252	24,735
Amethi	64,067	51,137	1,21,699	2,09,462	16,723
Amroha	15,212	29,207	63,849	2,77,001	22,083
Auraiya	41,847	47,889	63,882	1,34,701	15,012
Ayodhya	50,967	59,281	1,38,396	3,08,889	24,812
Azamgarh	44,214	79,782	2,29,275	6,52,605	53,942
Baghpat	21,880	17,476	34,354	2,14,879	22,208
Bahraich	88,713	1,29,025	1,38,519	4,04,545	31,634
Ballia	70,689	72,612	2,62,697	3,42,267	39,724
Balrampur	60,201	40,805	63,421	2,97,360	21,883
Banda	79,707	16,745	88,169	2,35,184	7,643
Bara Banki	59,696	66,956	1,52,237	4,10,931	63,392
Bareilly	1,06,657	1,09,710	2,53,866	4,12,394	91,202
Basti	52,125	57,620	1,26,943	3,95,544	28,870
Bhadohi	40,817	30,193	60,273	1,66,494	15,830
Bijnor	47,517	1,21,057	1,87,298	4,22,750	69,108
Budaun	73,639	30,342	1,80,608	2,76,995	45,762
Bulandshahr	74,894	76,207	1,44,164	3,95,888	47,039
Chandauli	69,988	49,840	1,16,748	1,78,582	21,374
Chitrakoot	29,483	14,253	46,746	1,42,950	19,884
Deoria	43,875	1,13,001	1,94,628	2,17,089	50,233
Etah	32,985	25,472	58,484	2,59,576	20,891
Etawah	43,831	36,518	95,167	1,33,475	22,454
Farrukhabad	74,609	34,295	1,08,462	1,78,883	25,689
Fatehpur	82,967	50,616	1,00,175	3,03,391	37,767
Firozabad	38,382	38,425	1,13,043	2,85,272	42,804
Gautam Buddha Nagar	9,964	9,503	21,557	1,16,917	23,958
Ghaziabad	24,014	31,669	60,295	3,59,627	38,771
Ghazipur	44,797	50,377	1,72,923	3,63,380	52,794
Gonda	82,573	73,109	64,285	4,10,757	28,064
Gorakhpur	88,502	1,65,737	1,17,295	4,41,685	90,688
Hamirpur	48,814	26,064	57,914	1,53,796	10,455
Hapur	19,265	16,755	36,017	1,99,246	19,026
Hardoi	87,117	48,388	2,53,231	5,25,139	23,151
Hathras	38,602	26,524	55,402	1,65,444	14,772
Jalaun	29,933	48,748	76,636	1,69,829	21,635
Jaunpur	94,021	91,284	2,26,413	5,45,632	97,157
Jhansi	44,598	60,569	1,00,082	1,33,172	31,127
Kannauj	45,863	20,810	87,054	1,70,204	16,805

Kanpur Dehat	74,030	94,883	80,268	1,75,014	17,948
Kanpur Nagar	89,212	62,333	1,14,975	3,09,812	92,811
Kasganj	37,494	31,795	27,236	1,71,231	10,018
Kaushambi	48,029	26,326	59,626	2,21,762	19,493
Kheri	1,70,412	46,783	1,84,045	3,85,167	47,911
Kushinagar	1,12,903	75,013	2,10,371	3,57,538	36,590
Lalitpur	20,486	29,118	40,124	1,08,693	11,618
Lucknow	71,637	75,730	1,36,561	3,10,483	79,644
Mahoba	32,384	10,823	45,660	85,559	11,016
Mahrajganj	44,237	60,866	1,28,225	3,96,581	56,661
Mainpuri	31,109	70,763	72,478	2,20,936	24,355
Mathura	35,218	31,573	1,19,307	2,56,133	45,547
Mau	25,111	66,198	1,98,893	2,40,978	34,153
Meerut	68,241	44,113	1,20,413	3,84,931	63,373
Mirzapur	83,912	43,136	1,66,724	2,33,510	32,299
Moradabad	90,252	71,142	1,66,853	4,66,527	55,952
Muzaffarnagar	43,966	47,784	1,04,686	3,34,584	52,019
Pilibhit	1,06,571	54,923	1,75,926	2,88,035	25,409
Pratapgarh	86,763	75,284	1,01,770	5,35,574	30,765
Prayagraj	71,381	60,184	1,53,962	4,97,547	58,130
Rae Bareli	76,247	46,331	1,58,581	3,82,012	58,533
Rampur	36,699	47,888	78,720	2,79,086	39,050
Saharanpur	48,668	1,36,455	1,61,090	6,40,488	57,835
Sambhal	18,643	33,271	72,325	2,77,573	18,755
Sant Kabir Nagar	25,500	34,627	1,10,929	1,54,196	28,394
Shahjahanpur	86,357	78,717	1,87,707	2,64,501	62,244
Shamli	20,816	32,042	56,362	2,09,571	26,283
Shrawasti	31,297	18,380	31,368	1,75,183	4,327
Siddharthnagar	45,225	51,339	53,848	2,56,996	24,699
Sitapur	1,07,227	1,19,701	1,65,337	6,20,527	34,818
Sonbhadra	23,478	30,969	1,31,601	1,21,755	18,746
Sultanpur	62,418	56,429	1,64,556	2,96,147	26,604
Unnao	1,41,912	34,470	1,28,058	4,04,927	28,371
Varanasi	43,794	78,870	1,85,829	6,00,739	73,735
