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AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL MISSION IN RURAL AREAS

2110. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:
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Will the Minister of **HEALTH and FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

(a) the current implementation status of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) in rural and underserved regions, including the number of districts and healthcare facilities integrated into the system;
(b) the challenges faced in ensuring access to digital health services in rural areas, particularly with regard to infrastructure deficits, internet connectivity and technical literacy among healthcare providers in the country;
(c) whether the Government has conducted any assessments to measure the impact of ABDM on improving rural healthcare delivery, and if so, the key findings of such assessments; and
(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to expand digital health coverage in regions with low connectivity and healthcare infrastructure, including the role of telemedicine platforms like e-Sanjeevani?

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

(a) Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) has been launched with an aim to create an online platform enabling interoperability of health data within the health ecosystem to create longitudinal electronic health record of every citizen. As on 28th July 2025, a total of 79,71,02,258 (~79.71 Cr) Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) have been created, 4,17,047 (~4.17 Lakh) health facilities have been registered on health facility registry (HFR), 6,76,685 (~6.76 Lakh) healthcare professionals have been registered on health professionals registry (HPR) and 65,09,37,500 (~65.09 Cr) health records have been linked with ABHA. Rural/urban area details are not captured during the registration process of health facility registry (HFR). However total number of healthcare facilities having ABDM enabled software is 3,20,973, and number of districts with ABDM enabled facilities is 771.

(b) to (d) ABDM has provisions for assisted mode in places where internet connectivity might be poor. For instance, offline mode for creation of ABHA has been enabled to meet deficiencies like internet connectivity/unavailability of hardware. National Health Authority, the implementing body of ABDM, is working in close coordination with the states to implement ABDM. A public dashboard [dashboard.abdm.gov.in] has been setup to see the progress of the different KPIs [key performance indicators] related to ABDM. This dashboard has drill-downs till state, district and hospital level and therefore, helps in assessment of the implementation of ABDM.

Government has taken various steps to ensure that the benefits of the mission reach every citizen. The digital health ecosystem created by ABDM supports continuity of care across primary, secondary and tertiary healthcare in a seamless manner. It aids availability of

health care services particularly in remote and rural areas through various technology interventions like telemedicine etc.

eSanjeevani is a national telemedicine service operational in 36 states and union territories (UTs), aimed at achieving universal health coverage (UHC). It is implemented in two variants: (i) eSanjeevani AB-HWC / Ayushman Arogya Mandir – a provider-to-provider telemedicine platform (ii) eSanjeevani OPD – a patient-to-provider telemedicine platform and operates on hub and spoke model.

As on 28 July 2025 eSanjeevani has served over 39 crores patients. The service has been operationalized through 1,34,029 Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (erstwhile health & wellness centres) acting as spokes, which are served by 17,568 hubs and more than 719 online OPDs serviced by a team of over 2,24,528 doctors, medical specialists, super-specialists and health workers as telemedicine practitioners.

Further, to address the network connectivity issues, state governments are collaborating with telecom providers to extend broadband coverage upto the Ayushman Arogya Mandir sub-health centre level.

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