

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1071
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2025**

BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR HEALTH SECTOR

1071. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK:

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

- (a) the target set by the National Health Policy with regard to the allocation of funds for health sector in the country;
- (b) the details regarding Budget Estimates (BE) vis-a-vis Actual Expenditure (AE) on health sector and its utilization in percentage terms, year-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any plans to enhance resources for the health sector for improving the healthcare to global standards and in proportion to the rate of population growth; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): As per the National Health Policy, 2017, public investment in health is envisioned to reach 2.5% of GDP by 2025. The Government initiatives in this direction are evident from the National Health Accounts Estimates in India, where there has been increase in Government spending on health as percentage of Total Health Expenditure (THE), which was 29.0% in 2014-15 and 48% in 2021-22. Correspondingly, Government Health Expenditure (GHE) as percentage of GDP has increased from 1.13% in 2014-15 to 1.84% in 2021-22. GHE as share of GDP during from FY 2019-20 to FY2021-22 is given in the following table:

FY	GHE as a % of GDP
2019-20	1.35
2020-21	1.60
2021-22	1.84

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) has taken up with States to prioritize allocation to health sector and enhance their health budgets at least by 8% of total State budget to reach the goal as envisaged.

The budget allocation for Department of Health & Family Welfare (DoHFW) has increased by 102.64%, from Rs. 47,353 crore in 2017-18 (BE) to Rs. 95,957.87 crore in 2025-26 (BE).

Further, the 15th Finance Commission, for the grant period from 2020-21 to 2025-26, has provided Rs. 70,051 crore Grants for health through the Local Governments. Government is making continuous efforts to increase allocation in health budget.
