

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2218
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH DECEMBER 2025**

TATA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR CANCER TREATMENT

**2218 SHRI VISHALDADA PRAKASHBAPU PATIL:
SMT. BHARTI PARDHI:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA CHANDU BARNE:
SHRI NARESH GANPAT MHASKE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI RAVINDRA DATTARAM WAIKAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the Tata Memorial hospitals' model for providing affordable, accessible and timely cancer treatment, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish similar model hospitals for critical illnesses in other parts of the country, particularly in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount of funds allocated and utilised during the last three years for establishing new super-speciality hospitals or expanding existing ones on the lines of this model across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is collaborating with private foundations, trusts or CSR initiatives to replicate this affordable healthcare model, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen medical education and recruitment of doctors, surgeons and nurses to ensure adequate staffing in such advanced hospitals; and
- (f) whether a long-term roadmap is planned by the Government to provide advanced, low-cost and timely treatment for critical illnesses in every State across the country, if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a) to (c): Ministry of Health and Family Welfare implements Strengthening of Tertiary Care Cancer Facilities Scheme. Under this scheme, one time support for civil work and procurement of equipment is provided for setting up of 19 State Cancer Institutes (SCI) and 20 Tertiary Care Cancer Centres (TCCC) across the country. Tata Memorial Centre (TMC), a

grant-in-aid institution under the Department of Atomic Energy, has established six hospitals across the country in Varanasi, Visakhapatnam, New Chandigarh, Guwahati, Sangrur and Muzaffarpur to provide high quality comprehensive cancer care treatment.

(d) to (f): The following steps have been taken for ease of starting Post-Graduate course, including for Oncology:

- Post Graduate courses can be started with two seats even with two faculties, and without having senior resident.
- Rationalization of bed requirement for formation of unit has been done so that in many specialties the bed requirement for the unit has been reduced.
- Medical college/ institutes can apply for starting the post graduate course (s) one year after the medical college/institution has been permitted to start an undergraduate course (i.e, during the sound year of the undergraduate course) and Government Medical College can start PG course simultaneously with UG Course.
