

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1320  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026**

**PROGRESS OF AB-PMJAY IN UTTAR PRADESH**

**1320. SHRI SHASHANK MANI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) to provide an annual health cover of Rupees five lakh per family to poor and vulnerable households across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the progress made under this scheme in Uttar Pradesh, particularly with regard to the number of beneficiary families identified, Ayushman Cards issued and the number of hospital admissions authorized so far;
- (c) whether the Government is taking measures to expand the empanelment of private and public hospitals in smaller districts to improve access to tertiary and specialized healthcare under PM-JAY; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) and (b): Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) provides health coverage of Rs. 5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to 12 crore families constituting bottom 40% of India's population.

In March 2024, the eligibility criteria were expanded to include 37 lakh families of Accredited Social Health Activists, Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers. In October 2024, the scheme was expanded to cover 6 crore senior citizens of age 70 years and above belonging to 4.5 crore families irrespective of their socio-economic status.

As on 31.12.2025, 5.48 crore Ayushman cards have been created and 83.70 lakh hospital admissions amounting to Rs.13,756.18 crore have been authorized under the scheme in the State of Uttar Pradesh.

(c) and (d): Hospital empanelment is a continuous process and is done as per the criteria provided under the empanelment guidelines under PMJAY. Currently, over 33,270 hospitals are empanelled under the scheme out of which 15,733 are private hospitals. In order to improve the participation of hospitals a hospital-specific call centre (14413) has been set-up to address the concerns of hospitals on a real-time basis including concerns related to empanelment.

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