

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4723  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026**

**MOBILE MEDICAL UNITS**

**4723. THIRU D M KATHIR ANAND:**

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

- (a) whether the Government supports both capital and operational costs for a Mobile Medical Unit per 10 lakh population;
- (b) if so, the total number of Mobile Medical Units operated in the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has provided funds for the Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) in Tamil Nadu particularly in Vellore constituency during the last 5 years, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has allocated adequate funds for “Hospital on Wheels” and Mobile Hospitals for Screening breast and cervical cancers among women in the country particularly in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): Under National Health Mission (NHM), to improve access to quality healthcare services in remote and rural areas support for Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) is provided to States/UTs, based on the requirements posed by them in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs), subject to availability of resources. The Central Government supports both capital and operational costs, for a Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) per 10 lakh population. The total number of MMU operated in the country, State-wise is given at Annexure.

(c) & (d): As per information provided by the State Government of Tamil Nadu, in Vellore Constituency 7 MMU are being operated including 1 Tribal MMU. The detailed of funds provided for MMUs for Vellore Constituency is given as under:

<b>Financial Year (FY)</b>	<b>Funds allotted (in Lakhs)</b>
2021-22	Rs. 41.64
2022-23	Rs. 41.64
2023-24	Rs. 41.64
2024-25	Rs. 41.64
2025-26	Rs. 41.64

Further, the Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) under NHM carry out all functions of a Primary Health Care Centre including screening for breast and cervical cancers. Central Government provides financial support for the Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) operating under the National Health Mission (NHM) across the country, including Tamil Nadu. The Operational Guidelines of MMUs under NHM can be accessed on the following link in the Ministry's Website:

[https://nhm.gov.in/images/pdf/programmes/mmu/Mobile\\_Medical\\_Units.pdf](https://nhm.gov.in/images/pdf/programmes/mmu/Mobile_Medical_Units.pdf)

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**Total number of MMU operated in the Country (State-wise)**

<b>Mobile Medical Unit</b>				
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>NRHM</b>	<b>NUHM</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Bihar	0	0	0
2	Chhattisgarh	30	0	30
3	Himachal Pradesh	10	0	10
4	Jammu & Kashmir	10	0	10
5	Jharkhand	40	0	40
6	Madhya Pradesh	72	0	72
7	Odisha	0	9	9
8	Rajasthan	26	0	26
9	Uttar Pradesh	170	0	170
10	Uttarakhand	0	0	0
11	Arunachal Pradesh	16	0	16
12	Assam	130	0	130
13	Manipur	0	0	0
14	Meghalaya	0	0	0
15	Mizoram	9	0	9
16	Nagaland	11	0	11
17	Sikkim	0	0	0
18	Tripura	6	6	12
19	Andhra Pradesh	67	0	67
20	Goa	0	0	0
21	Gujarat	79	0	79
22	Haryana	58	0	58
23	Karnataka	0	0	0
24	Kerala	28	8	36
25	Maharashtra	103	0	103
26	Punjab	33	0	33
27	Tamil Nadu	415	10	425
28	Telangana	53	0	53
29	West Bengal	44	5	49
30	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0	0
31	Chandigarh	0	0	0
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	0	0	0
33	Delhi	0	1	1
34	Ladakh	0	0	0
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	4	0	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>1414</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1453</b>

Source: NHM-MIS as on September 2025