

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4735
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th MARCH 2026**

FREE HPV VACCINATION FOR GIRLS

4735. SHRI RAMASAHAYAM RAGHURAM REDDY:

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

- (a) The number of girls who have received free Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines under various Government schemes;
- (b) the data on the basis of age group, region and year, including any data on outreach efforts undertaken by the Government to ensure adequate vaccine coverage in the country and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether there are any collaborations between the Central Government, State Governments and other stakeholders such as Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) or international health organisations in ensuring free or subsidized access to HPV vaccines for girls in the age group of 9–14 years and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) & (b) The Nationwide free HPV vaccination campaign was launched on 28th February 2026 for approximately 1.2 crore eligible beneficiary girls aged 14 years across all 36 States and Union Territories. Awareness is generated through IEC materials such as radio jingles, posters and banners, myth-busting digital content and use of social media platforms to provide accurate information, address misconceptions and ensure equitable access. As of 16th March 2026, a total of 2,95,301 girls have been administered the HPV vaccine. The State/UT-wise coverage of the HPV vaccination campaign launched by Government of India is provided in annexure.

(c) The Government of India has secured HPV vaccine as kind support from GAVI, the Vaccine Alliance.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of the LS USQ No. 4735 for answer on 20.03.2026 regarding “FREE HPV VACCINATION FOR GIRLS”

State/UT -wise HPV vaccine coverage

S.No.	State/UT	Target Cohort	Cumulative Coverage as on 16 th March'26 (Source: U-WIN)
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	3,000	41
2	Andhra Pradesh	3,78,000	43,680
3	Arunachal Pradesh	17,000	205
4	Assam	3,32,000	10
5	Bihar	13,62,000	793
6	Chandigarh	10,000	24
7	Chhattisgarh	2,62,000	8
8	Delhi	1,49,000	376
9	Goa	12,000	17
10	Gujarat	5,40,000	37,357
11	Haryana	2,26,000	1,873
12	Himachal Pradesh	54,000	3
13	Jammu and Kashmir	1,34,000	12,887
14	Jharkhand	3,92,000	1
15	Karnataka	5,03,000	12,076
16	Kerala	2,49,000	12,580
17	Ladakh	2,000	17
18	Lakshadweep	2,000	56
19	Madhya Pradesh	7,51,000	94,840
20	Maharashtra	9,38,000	5,686
21	Manipur	29,000	411
22	Meghalaya	35,000	163
23	Mizoram	11,000	4,408
24	Nagaland	22,000	376
25	Odisha	3,76,000	18,194
26	Puducherry	14,000	721
27	Punjab	2,04,000	3,013
28	Rajasthan	7,24,000	1,874
29	Sikkim	7,000	173

S.No.	State/UT	Target Cohort	Cumulative Coverage as on 16th March'26 (Source: U-WIN)
30	Tamil Nadu	5,26,000	33,866
31	Telangana	2,85,000	8,232
32	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	7,000	188
33	Tripura	33,000	64
34	Uttar Pradesh	20,99,000	38
35	Uttarakhand	95,000	1,050

*Source: UWIN.

*District level training is underway in the state of West Bengal.