

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding adoption of Ayushman Bharat Yojana - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana.

DR.(Prof.) MAHENDRA MUNJAPARA (SURENDRANAGAR):
Respected Speaker, Sir, our hon. Prime Minister, Shri Narendrabhai Modi, launched cashless 'Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY)'.

This is the world's largest Government-funded health scheme providing coverage to about 50 crore people for secondary and tertiary care hospitalisation up to Rs.5 lakh to each person of family on family floater basis.

Most of the States and Union Territories have implemented AB-PMJAY but some States like Delhi, West Bengal, Odisha, Telangana and Rajasthan are reluctant to implement this holistic health programme. People from non-implementing States of AB-PMJAY do travel to other States as tourists, pilgrims, workers, labourers, etc. When medical or surgical casualties like accidents, burns, heart attack, etc., happen to them, when they are outside their State, the poor people's condition becomes tragic. I know about this as I am also the owner of an ICU and a medical hospital.

So, I request all Chief Ministers of non-implementing States of AB-PMJAY to please adopt this holistic health programme for the benefit of the poor people of our nation, save them from huge medical expenses, and fulfil our Prime Minister's dream of a pan India AB-PMJAY. Thank you.

