

Regarding Need to provide free treatment and medicines to the children suffering from Type-1 Diabetes in the country- laid

SHRI RAJABHAU PARAG PRAKASH WAJE (NASHIK): I want to bring attention to the serious issue of Type 1 Diabetes in children. This is a lifelong disease where the child needs 4-5 insulin injections every day to survive. Along with this, they need to check their blood sugar regularly. In India, about 2.5 lakh children are living with this condition. In Maharashtra alone, over 1,400 children in Nashik and 1,500 in Sambhaji Nagar are receiving care in private clinics. Sadly, Government hospitals do not provide free insulin, sugar testing strips, or any special OPD services under schemes like Mahatma Phule Jan Arogya Yojana (MPJAY). This creates a big burden on poor families who cannot afford the high cost of treatment. That's why I request to the Central Government to kindly take the following steps: Provide free insulin and test strips at all Government hospitals. Appoint child diabetes doctors at district hospitals. Remove GST on insulin, test strips, and related supplies. Give disability certificates to these children, so they can get extra help. This will help save lives and reduce suffering for thousands of children and their families.