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AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL MISSION IN TAMIL NADU

5606. SHRI MANI A:

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

(a) the current status of implementation of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) in the State of Tamil Nadu especially in Dharmapuri Parliamentary Constituency;
(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to encourage citizens to register for Digital Health IDs;
(c) whether ABDM has been integrated with public and private health systems and if so, the details thereof;
(d) the measures taken to ensure that rural and underserved areas get benefit from the said Mission;
(e) whether any targeted awareness campaigns have been conducted to promote the said Mission in rural regions, if so, the details thereof;
(f) the progress achieved in rural areas compared to urban centres under the said Mission; and
(g) the steps being taken to bring more healthcare facilities under the ABDM ecosystem?

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

(a) to (g) Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) has been launched with an aim to create an online platform enabling interoperability of health data within the health ecosystem to create longitudinal electronic health record of every citizen. The mission aims to develop the backbone necessary to support the integrated digital health infrastructure of the country. ABDM comprises of key registries which intended through building registries such as Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA), healthcare professional registry (HPR), health facility registry (HFR), and drug registry. ABDM intends to make healthcare more transparent, secure, inclusive, accessible, timely delivery, and most importantly citizen centric.

In Tamil Nadu, as on 2nd April 2025, a total of 1,52,99,265 ABHAs have been created, 6,515 health facilities have registered on HFR, 8,202 healthcare professionals have registered on HPR and 26, 87,736 health records have been linked with ABHA.

For Dharmapuri district, the details of the aforesaid indicators, as on 2nd April 2025 are as under:

ABHA	Health Facility registered on HFR	Health Professional registered on HPR	Health Records linked to ABHA	Scan and Share Tokens Generated
2,93,456	104	159	11,942	3

As implementing agency, National Health Authority (NHA) has initiated awareness campaigns in healthcare facilities through publicity materials. ABDM actively promotes awareness and citizen engagement through participation in public events such as trade fairs, marathons, medical conferences, technology events etc. encouraging the creation of ABHA and adoption of digital healthcare. States/UTs also undertake targeted IEC activities and capacity building to enhance local adoption.

Both public and private sector IT solutions in health are integrated under ABDM through the sandbox environment to aid creation of EHR across the country.

As of 2nd April 2025, 289 digital health IT systems are integrated with ABDM, out of which 66 are public while the remaining 223 are private.

Government has taken various steps to ensure that the benefits of the mission reach every citizen. Inclusion is one of the key principles of ABDM. The digital health ecosystem created by ABDM supports continuity of care across primary, secondary and tertiary healthcare in a seamless manner. It aids availability of health care services particularly in remote and rural areas through various technology interventions like telemedicine etc. ABDM has provisions for assisted mode in places where internet connectivity might be poor. For instance, offline mode for creation of ABHA has been enabled wherever internet connectivity might be poor or there would be unavailability of hardware or both.

So far, significant progress has been observed in the adoption of ABHA with over 76 crore ABHAs created and over 52 crore health records linked with ABHA, as on 2nd April 2025. Integration with government schemes such as PM-JAY and initiatives such as QR based services for quick OPD registration and faster payments in hospitals AIIMS and various government hospitals, have enhanced the adoption of ABDM, particularly in AIIMS and government hospitals. Private healthcare providers are also increasingly adopting ABHA-integrated solutions.

Various initiatives are being taken, in consultation and with the support of the states/UTs to bring more healthcare facilities both from public and private sector under the ABDM ecosystem. These include developing use cases for quick registration, easy payments, microsites program focused on increasing the adoption in the private sector, the digital health incentive scheme (DHIS) to incentivise health facilities and digital health tech companies to create digital records and the 'Model Facility' initiative to establish facilities doing end to end digitization.

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