

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 194
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12TH DECEMBER, 2025**

HEALTH SERVICES UNDER NHM

***194. SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:**

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

(a) the details of health services provided to Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) communities through various schemes including the National Health Mission (NHM) during the last three financial years, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) the extent to which the said communities received benefits under the Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) and other major health assistance schemes in the country, State-wise particularly in Uttar Pradesh alongwith the amount of funds spent thereupon;

(c) whether the Government has made any specific budget allocations/implemented special sub-plans to address regional/social disparities in access and quality of health services and to ensure better health outcomes for these communities; and

(d) if so, the details of the specific monitoring systems adopted by the Government to improve access to services for remote tribal areas and socially backward classes in the country?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) & (b) The Schemes under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provide support for improvement in health infrastructure, availability of adequate human resources, to improve availability, affordability and accessibility to quality healthcare to all including Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) communities.

i) National Health Mission (NHM): The various initiatives carried out under NHM are operationalization of Ayushman Arogya Mandirs, National Ambulance Services, Mobile Medical Units, provision of ASHAs, 24 x 7 Services and First Referral Facilities, Prime Minister's National Dialysis Programme, Free Diagnostics Service Initiative and Free Drugs Service Initiative, various activities under Reproductive & Child Health, Anaemia Mukh Bharat strategy, TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyan and Universal Immunization programme, etc.

For tribal healthcare, special programmes are National Sickle Cell Anaemia Elimination Mission (NSCAEM), Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN) and Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DA-JGUA).

Statement showing State-wise Central releases of fund (SC/ST category-wise) under NHM from FY 2022-23 to FY 2024-25 are at Annexure - I.

ii) Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) provides health cover of Rs. 5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to cover 12 Crore families constituting bottom 40% of India's population. Beneficiary identification is done based on various databases including Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC) which has SC/ST households as one of the deprivation criteria in the rural areas. Accordingly, as on 15th November 2025, 1.98 crore Ayushman Cards for SC and 0.97 crore Ayushman Cards for ST have been created under AB-PMJAY. In March 2024, 37.14 lakh families of ASHA, Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers were included under the scheme. In October 2024, the scheme was expanded to cover 6 crore senior citizens of age 70 years and above belonging to 4.5 crore families irrespective of their socio-economic status.

In January 2024, the National Health Authority collaborated with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for inclusion of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) families under the purview of AB-PMJAY. As on 6th December 2025, 13.33 Lakh Ayushman Cards were created under this category (State-wise details of Ayushman

Cards created and treatment availed under the scheme can accessed at <https://dashboard.nha.gov.in/public/>).

iii) Human Resource for Health aims to reduce the urban/rural divide, regional imbalance in presence of medical Institutions/ medical professionals and bring affordable health care to underserved areas. 157 new medical colleges have been approved through Centrally Sponsored Scheme for “Establishment of New Medical Colleges attached with existing District/Referral hospitals” in those Parliamentary constituencies/ Districts which do not have a single medical college either in Government or private sector. Of these, 40 colleges have been approved in aspirational districts and 38 colleges in tribal areas. State-wise details are at Annexure- II.

Under the scheme for Upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government medical colleges to increase MBBS seats in the country, 83 Government Medical Colleges in 17 States/UTs have been approved to increase 4977 MBBS seats with total cost of Rs. 5972.20 Cr. In addition, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for ‘Strengthening and upgradation of State Government medical colleges for starting new PG disciplines and increasing PG seats’, 8058 seats have been approved.

(c) & (d) The Statement showing Budget and Expenditure under schemes for Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) and Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST) for FY 2020-21 to 2024-25 in the Department of Health and Family Welfare are at Annexure- III & IV.

All the schemes and programmes are regularly monitored at different levels and are evaluated from time to time for effectiveness and outcomes in terms of larger health benefits to the people.

Annexure-I**Statement showing State-wise Central releases (SC/ST category-wise) under NHM from FY 2022-23 to FY 2024-25****(Rs. in crores)**

S. No.	State/UT	2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
		SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.10
2	Andhra Pradesh	516.54	130.16	277.37	76.50	304.79	88.37
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.10	124.85	0.00	172.99	0.97	113.07
4	Assam	141.28	262.34	213.56	169.84	458.98	159.66
5	Bihar	465.64	30.39	418.39	24.50	389.82	35.74
6	Chhattisgarh	343.26	311.13	118.33	256.28	141.76	307.03
7	Delhi	4.50	0.00	15.15	0.00	54.61	0.00
8	Goa	7.49	3.88	6.46	2.90	2.54	7.08
9	Gujarat	334.34	128.10	208.52	226.41	103.09	201.92
10	Haryana	110.44	0.00	127.29	0.00	113.31	0.00
11	Himachal Pradesh	232.56	58.55	123.62	32.88	142.25	43.00
12	Jammu and Kashmir	41.69	14.45	114.88	47.78	100.96	49.08
13	Jharkhand	120.05	212.29	117.52	165.04	159.96	253.05
14	Karnataka	380.55	103.40	195.29	70.55	237.29	132.79
15	Kerala	423.36	46.64	23.15	3.16	296.88	103.49
16	Madhya Pradesh	762.79	429.36	487.09	293.60	429.06	572.98
17	Maharashtra	442.05	321.66	483.03	277.31	330.70	234.18
18	Manipur	2.07	18.74	44.23	30.32	38.69	33.49
19	Meghalaya	43.60	134.56	51.48	141.61	92.85	33.57
20	Mizoram	0.30	67.37	34.43	63.34	24.29	30.33
21	Nagaland	0.00	49.68	0.00	112.32	0.12	91.93
22	Odisha	246.55	454.37	268.77	316.26	378.99	472.97
23	Puducherry	3.46	0.00	9.55	0.00	4.32	0.00
24	Punjab	147.39	0.00	25.88	0.00	347.51	5.71

25	Rajasthan	356.37	142.88	739.28	232.87	453.33	324.85
26	Sikkim	3.39	22.30	12.65	16.43	10.29	13.48
27	Tamil Nadu	272.40	15.81	481.62	90.58	370.37	27.09
28	Tripura	48.27	54.48	31.90	54.77	46.25	43.02
29	Uttar Pradesh	1,165.86	187.84	1,315.20	189.84	1,641.68	40.84
30	Uttarakhand	127.16	20.43	161.15	38.54	143.32	74.42
31	West Bengal	313.33	75.21	247.01	50.88	218.56	30.75
32	Telangana	99.89	50.87	119.77	41.38	197.65	93.25

Note: The above releases relate to Central Govt. Grants and do not include State share contribution.

State-Wise Details of Establishment of New Medical Colleges

State/UT	Aspirational District(s)	Tribal District(s)
Andhra Pradesh	Paderu	-
Arunachal Pradesh	-	Papum Pare
Assam	Dhubri	Kokrajhar
Bihar	Jamui, Purnia, Sitamarhi	Jamui
Chhattisgarh	Kanker, Korba, Mahasamund, Rajnandgaon	Surguja, Kanker, Korba, Mahasamund, Rajnandgaon
Gujarat	Narmada	Narmada, Navsari, Panchmahal
Himachal Pradesh	Chamba	Chamba
Jammu & Kashmir	Baramulla, Kupwara	Rajouri
Jharkhand	Dumka, East Singhbhum, Hazaribagh, Palamu	Dumka, Palamu, Hazaribagh, Pashchimi Singhbhum
Karnataka	Yadgir	-
Ladakh	-	Leh
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa, Rajgarh, Vidisha, Singrauli	Mandla, Shahdol, Chhindwara, Singrauli, Ratlam, Khandwa (East Nimar)
Maharashtra	Nandurbar	Nandurbar
Manipur	-	Churachandpur
Meghalaya	-	West Garo Hills
Mizoram	-	Aizawl
Nagaland	-	Mon, Kohima
Odisha	Balangir, Kalahandi, Koraput	Mayurbhanj, Koraput, Kalahandi
Rajasthan	Baran, Dholpur, Jaisalmer, Karauli, Sirohi	Banswara, Dungarpur, Sirohi, Dausa
Sikkim	-	East District
Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar	-
Uttar Pradesh	Bahraich, Chandauli, Fatehpur, Siddharthnagar, Sonbhadra	-
Uttarakhand	Haridwar, Udham Singh Nagar	-

Annexure- III**(Rs. in Crore)**

Year	BE (Total)	BE (Scheme)	DAPSC allocation as per BE (Scheme)	DAPSC allocation as per RE (Scheme)	(%) Allocation under DAPSC	Expenditure under DAPSC
2020-21	65012	49600	8300	7643	16.7	7845.19
2021-22	71269	53544	8938	10759	16.7	8005.95
2022-23	83000	62797	10424	9298	16.6	8862.22
2023-24	86175	56168	9324	7965	16.6	8041.64
2024-25	87657	55169	9158	8927	16.6	8537.72

Annexure- IV

(Rs. in crore)

Year	BE (Total)	BE (Scheme)	DAPST allocation as per BE (Scheme)	DAPST allocation as per RE (Scheme)	(%) Allocation under DAPST	Expenditure under DAPST
2020-21	65012	49600	4300	4004	8.7	4097.66
2021-22	71269	53544	4634	5574	8.7	4262.70
2022-23	83000	62797	5401	4924	8.6	4741.21
2023-24	86175	56168	4830	4126	8.6	4134.07
2024-25	87657	55169	4745	4625	8.6	4431.02