

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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INCREASE IN CANCER CASES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of cancer are rapidly increasing in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of cancer cases detected during 2005-06 so far, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government provides assistance and medicines for cancer patients in the country;
- (d) if so, the details in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to develop and modernize the Cancer Research Centres in various States;
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (g) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to control this disease?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a & b): As per the information collected by the Population Based Cancer Registries functioning under the National Cancer Registry Programme of Indian Council of Medical Research, it has been estimated that about 7-9 lakh new cancer cases are detected every year and at any given point of time there are 2-

2.5 million cancer patients. As per information available with ICMR the estimated number of cancer patients for the year 2005 is approximately 8.72 lakhs. However, the state-wise data on number of cancer cases is not maintained centrally.

(c & d): Health being a state subject, it is for various State Governments to ensure that adequate facilities for early detection, diagnosis and treatment of cancer are made available. The Central Government is also supplementing the efforts of the State Government by providing financial assistance for setting up Radiotherapy Unit in Government Medical colleges/hospitals for providing treatment facilities. In addition, the comprehensive cancer detection and management facilities including testing facilities in respective regions/states is provided by 25 Regional Cancer Centres across the country. The financial assistance is also provided to persons below poverty line from the Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi for treatment of cancer.

(e) & (f): Under NCCP, this Ministry has recognized 25 Regional Cancer Centres in different parts of the country. A list of the RCC is annexed.

As per the existing guidelines two RCCs can be recognized in a populous state and one time financial assistance of Rs.3.00 crore is provided to the existing RCC and Rs. 5.00 crore to the newly recognized RCC for development of infrastructure.

(g) As per revised scheme of National Cancer Control Programme

(NCCP), special emphasis is now being laid on early detection of cancer by promoting health education, creating awareness. Comprehensive cancer detection testing facilities in respective regions/States are provided by 25 Regional Cancer Centres developed over the years under NCCP. Grant-in-aid is provided to Non-Governmental Organizations to create awareness about cancer is also being carried out through the telecast of the programme `Kalyani` on Doordarshan.

Annexure
List of RCCs

Director,
Chittaranjan National Cancer
Institute,
37, S.P. Mukharjee Road,
Kolkata - 700 026

Director
Regional Cancer Centre,
Medical College Compound,
P.O. No.2417
Triuvananthapuram - 695 011

Director,
Kidwai Memorial Instt. of
Oncology,
Hosur Road,
Banglore - 560 029,
Karnataka
Director,
Acharya Harihar Regional
Cancer,
Centre for Cancer Research &
Treatment,
Manglabag, Cuttack - 753 007

Director,
MNJ Institute of Oncology,
Red Hills,
Hyderabad - 500 004
Andhra Pradesh

Director,
Pondicherry Regional Cancer
Society,
JIPMER, Dhanwantari Nagar,
P.O.
Pondicherry.

Member Secretary,
Regional Cancer Control
Society
C/o Indira Gandhi Medical
College,
Shimla - 1, Himachal Pradesh
Director,
Indian Rotary Cancer
Institute,

Director,
Dr.B.B.Cancer Institute,
Gopi Nath Nagar,
Guwahati - 781 016

Director,
Indira Gandhi Institute of
Medical Sciences,

(A.I.I.M.S),
Ansari Nagar, New Delhi

Sheikhpura, Patna - 800 014
Bihar

Director,
Pt.J.N.M.Medical College,
Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

Director,
Acharya Tulsi Regional Cancer
Trust & Research Institute

(RCC)
S.P.Medical College,
Bikaner, Rajasthan

Medical Superintendent,
Civil Hospital,
Aizawl
Mizoram
Rohtak, Haryana

Director,
Regional Cancer Centre,
Pt. B.D.Sharma Post Graduate
Institute of Medical Sciences,

Director,
Gujarat Cancer Research
Institute,
New Civil Hospital Compound,
Aswara, Ahmedabad - 380 016.
Gujarat.

Director,
Kamala Nehru Memorial
Hospital,
Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh

Director,
R.S.T. Hospital & Research
Centre,
Manewada Road,
Nagpur - 440 003, Maharashtra
Pradesh.
Director,
Tata Memorial Hospital
Earnest Borges Marg,
Parel, Mumbai - 400 012
Chennai - 600 020

Director,
Cancer Hospital & Research
Centre,
Mandre Ki Mata,
Gwalior - 474 001, Madhya
Pradesh.

Director,
Regional Cancer Institute
(WIA)
Adyar,

Director,
Post Graduate Institute of
Medical

Director,
Sanjay Gandhi Post-graduate
Institute

Education and Research

of Medical Sciences (SGPGI)

(PGIMER)
Chandigarh - 160 012.

Raebareli Road,
Lucknow-226014.

Director,
Sher-I-Kashmir Institute of
Medical
Sciences, Soura, Srinagar.
Nadu.

Director,
Govt. Arignar Anna Memorial
Cancer
Hospital, Kancheepuram, Tamil

Director,
Regional Institute of Medical
Sciences,
Manipur, Imphal