

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA**

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COVERAGE OF RASHTRIYA SWASTHYA BIMA YOJANA

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to cover all Below Poverty Line (BPL) families under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has made any action plan for implementation of said scheme in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the funds allocated and released by the Government for the said purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) to (c): The Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) which was launched on 01.10.2007 and became operational w.e.f. 01.04.2008 has been extended to all the estimated 6 crore BPL families (a unit of five) in the unorganised sector from the year 2009-10. The estimated 6 crore BPL families are, however, likely to be covered in five years.
- (d): The premium under RSBY is shared between Central Government and State Governments in the ratio of 75:25 and in case of States of North East Region and Jammu and Kashmir, the sharing of premium is in the ratio of 90:10. An amount of Rs. 250 crore and Rs. 350 crore has been allocated during the financial year 2008-09 and 2009-10 respectively for release of Centre share of premium. A Statement showing the State-wise Central share of premium released is annexed.