

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the maximum amount of coverage allowed under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY);
- (b) if so, whether the Government includes coverage for life saving surgeries and procedures including cancer, cardiovascular surgery, brain surgeries etc. under the scheme;
- (c) if so, whether the Government permitted the State Government of Kerala to implement its own scheme for additional medical insurance coverage for non-BPL families as an add-on to the RSBY; and
- (d) if so, the number of families that have been permitted registration under the scheme for 2010-11 and 2011-12?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT(SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

- (a) & (b): At present there is no proposal to enhance the amount of coverage under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY). RSBY covers hospitalization expenses in case of almost all ailments including maternity. Life saving surgeries and procedures are also covered subject to ceiling limit of Rs. 30,000/- per family per annum.
 - (c) & (d): The State Government is implementing its own scheme for additional insurance cover for non-BPL families as an add-on to the RSBY. The full premium for the additional coverage is paid by the State Government of Kerala.
- As per report received from the State Government, coverage has been extended to 8.03 lakh non-BPL families during 2010-11 and 16.59 lakh families during 2011-12.