

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:405
ANSWERED ON:04.05.2012
NON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has launched the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) after integrating the erstwhile National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) with National Programme for Prevention and Control of Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPDCS) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the targets set and activities undertaken, particularly for cancer prevention and control services under the said programme;
- (c) whether funds are allocated to the States under NPCDCS;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the procedure and criteria adopted for the purpose, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to open more hospitals/centres for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other non-communicable diseases, State/UT-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 405 FOR 4.05.2012

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. Government of India launched a National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS) in 2010 to cover 100 districts in 21 States during 2010 to 2012.

The targets set during the last two years of the 11th Five Year Plan under NPCDCS were to establish State and District NCD Cells for implementation and monitoring the programme and to upgrade/set up two to four bedded Cardiac Care Units (CCU) and NCD Clinics at District Hospitals. Financial assistance is provided for engagement of State Programme Manager, District Programme Manager and other logistics support at State and District level and also for hiring manpower consisting of a Physician (Endocrinologist/Cardiologist), Physiotherapist, Nurses and logistic support to run the District NCD Clinic. Similarly, support is also given for NCD Clinics at Community Health Centres.

Opportunistic screening of population aged 30 years and above and all pregnant mothers for early detection of suspected cases of diabetes and hypertension is also part of the programme. So far, 61.16 lakhs people have been screened for diabetes and hypertension out of which 4,58,469 people are suspected to be diabetic and 3,71,004 people are suspected to be suffering from hypertension.

Under Cancer component of NPCDCS,strengthening of district hospitals in these 100 districts are permitted by hiring additional manpower such as Medical Oncologist,Cyto-pathologist, Cyto-pathology Technician, Nurses and Counsellor for early diagnosis of cancer and creating facilities for chemotherapy and supportive care to cancer patients. Early cancer detection are to be done at district level through opportunistic screening mainly for Oral, Breast and Cervical Cancer. Funds for equipment such as Colposcope is provided for screening of Cancer Cervix. Financial assistance up to Rs.1.00 lakh per patient is available for chemotherapy drugs to treat 100 Cancer patients per district.

The programme also envisages strengtheningof Government Medical College Hospitals including erstwhile Regional Cancer Centres (RCC) across the country as Tertiary Cancer Centre (TCC) for providing comprehensive Cancer care services. Sanction can be made up to Rs.6.00 crore (Rs.4.80 crore by Government of India and Rs.1.20 crore by State Government) for the purpose.

Extension of the programme to cover all the Districts in a phased manner and strengthen the Tertiary Cancer Care Facilities are envisaged during 12th Five Year Plan.

(c) & (d) : Funds are provided to the programme States based on the number of Districts taken under the programme. Funds are released to States through the state Health Societies.

(e): Opening of more hospitals/centres for the treatment of Cancer and other non-communicable diseases under NPCDCS in a phased manner during 12th Five Year Plan would be dependent on availability of resources.