

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of health cards issued by the Government for providing health insurance cover under the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) during the current year 2011-2012;
- (b) the names of States and places where the aforesaid scheme has been implemented;
- (c) whether its implementation has been completed;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the State-wise details of the places where the said scheme has not been implemented so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

(a) & (b): A Statement showing the number of smart cards issued under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) State-wise as on 15.08.2012 is annexed.

The State of Rajasthan is implementing RSBY only for MGNREGA workers, street vendors and beedi workers. States of Madhya Pradesh and Sikkim are in the process of the implementation of the scheme. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has initiated the process to implement RSBY for construction workers in Rangareddy district on pilot basis.

(c) & (d): The implementation of RSBY is an on-going process as the policy is renewed every year.

The RSBY which was initially implemented for BPL families in the unorganised sector has been extended to building and other construction workers {registered under the Building and other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and Condition of Service) Act, 1996}, street vendors, beedi workers, domestic workers and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) beneficiaries who have worked for more than 15 days during the preceding financial year.

(e): The States of Tamilnadu and Goa had initially participated in the scheme but discontinued thereafter as they launched their own schemes. Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu and Lakshdweep have not yet decided to participate in the scheme.