

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

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CASES OF CANCER

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of higher incidence of cancer cases in certain States including Punjab than the national average;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the estimated number of cancer patients in the country along with the number of cancer cases and deaths reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT -wise;
- (d) the steps taken so far by the Government to control cancer and the provide affordable treatment to the patients along with the funds allocated and spent for the purpose during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the action plan drawn by the Government to put in place comprehensive cancer control and treatment facilities across the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Information received from Indian Council of Medical Research suggests that the estimated number of cancer cases and deaths are increasing.

State/UT-wise number of estimated cancer cases and deaths for the last three years is given in Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.

Increase in the number of cancer cases may be attributed to ageing population, unhealthy life style, use of tobacco and tobacco products etc.

(d) & (e) Health being a State subject, it is for the State Governments to provide healthcare facilities. To supplement the efforts of the State Governments in detection, treatment and management of cancer cases, Government of India has launched a comprehensive National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS) in 2010 in 100 district across 21 States. State-wise release of funds and Utilization under NPCDCS during 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 (provisional) is at Annexure-III.

Under the Programme, Regional Cancer Centres (RCCs) and Government Medical College Hospitals across the country are eligible for receiving financial assistance upto Rs.6.00 crore (Rs.4.80 crore from Central Government and Rs.1.20 crore from State Government) for providing comprehensive cancer care services under Tertiary Cancer Centre (TCC) component. Funds released under this component of the programme are given at Annexure-IV.