

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1074

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CASHLESS HEALTH INSURANCE UNDER RSBY

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

- (a) whether the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) scheme has achieved tremendous success in terms of coverage;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has also proposed to set up an autonomous body to oversee the smooth implementation of the scheme;
- (d) if so, the modalities worked out in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to expand the scheme to cover the unorganized sector and also seeks to provide cashless health insurance cover to all below Poverty Line (BPL) families in the unorganized sector;
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Karnataka and Tamil Nadu; and (g) the progress made so far in the implementation of RSBY, State-wise;

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) today covers around 3.56 crore families in 28 States and Union Territories.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e) to (g) Coverage under RSBY has already been extended to categories of unorganized workers like building & other construction workers, licensed railway porters, street vendors, workers who have worked for more than fifteen days during preceding financial year under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, beedi workers, domestic workers, sanitation workers, mine workers, rickshaw pullers, rag pickers and auto/taxi drivers;. State-wise Smart Cards active under RSBY as on 31.07.2013 is at Annexure.