

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

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Cases of Diabetes

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

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

- (a) whether the number of cases of diabetes is increasing in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has implemented schemes/programmes which aim for controlling diabetes, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government for prevention, detection and affordable treatment of diabetes along with the funds allocated and utilised during the last three years for controlling the diabetes?

**Answer**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) & (b): Yes. As per the International Diabetes Federation (IDF), the estimated cases of diabetes in India in the age group of 20-70 years are 65.0 million, 66.8 million and 69.1 million respectively in 2013, 2014 & 2015.

The factors responsible for increase in Diabetes are unhealthy diet, lack of physical activity, harmful use of alcohol, over-weight, obesity, tobacco use etc.

(c) & (d): While Health is a State subject, the Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Government for improving healthcare. Government of India has launched National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) which is implemented for interventions up to District level under the National Health Mission. NPCDCS has a focus on awareness generation for behavior and life-style changes, screening and early diagnosis of persons with high level of risk factors and their treatment and referral (if required) to higher facilities for appropriate management for Non-communicable Diseases including Diabetes. Under NPCDCS, diagnosis and treatment facilities for Diabetes are provided through different levels of healthcare by setting up NCD Clinic in District Hospitals and Community Health Centres (CHCs).

The treatment of diabetic patients in various Government Hospitals is either free or subsidized both for the Central and State Government Hospitals.

A Statement showing State/UT-wise release and utilization of funds under NPCDCS for the last three years is at Annexure.