GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3541 ANSWERED ON:15.12.2014 REVAMPING OF RSBY Kambhampati Dr. Hari Babu;Singh Shri Ravneet

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to revamp and restructure the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b)the coverage and the share of beneficiaries under the RSBY across the country, State/ UT-wise;
- (c)the number of public and private healthcare institutions covered under RSBY; and
- (d)whether the Government proposes to increase the share of private healthcare institutions and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

- (a): Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) was launched on 1st October, 2007 to provide smart card based cashless health insurance cover of Rs. 30,000/- per annum to BPL families (a unit of five) in the unorganized sector. The scheme became operational from 01.04.2008 and improvement therein has been a continuous process. Recently a decision has been taken to centrally empanel insurance companies at the National Level to ensure better service delivery and monitoring under the Scheme. It is the endeavour of the Government to extend Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) to all Unorganised Workers in a phased manner and during the course of implementation, apart from BPL families, RSBY coverage has been extended to various other categories of Unorganised Workers viz. Building & Other Construction Workers, Licensed Railway Porters, Street Vendors, MGNREGA workers (who have worked for more than fifteen days during preceding financial year), Beedi workers, Domestic workers, Sanitation Workers, Mine Workers, Rickshaw pullers, Rag pickers and Auto/Taxi drivers.
- (b): State/UT-wise number of beneficiary families, as on 31.03.2014,is furnished at Annexure-I.
- (c): Based on the number of Master Hospital Cards issued by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, as on 31.03.2014, to the States/ UTs under RSBY, the number of Hospitals covered under RSBY is 10,311.
- (d): No, Madam.