GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3308 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th DECEMBER, 2021

PROJECTS TO IMPROVE HEALTHCARE INFRASTRUCTURE IN NORTH EAST STATES

3308. KUMARI AGATHA K. SANGMA:

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

- (a) the details of projects undertaken for provisioning of improved healthcare infrastructure in states of the North East Region over the past five years, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of ICU beds, oxygen cylinders and other healthcare facilities in the North Eastern States in view of the probability of 3rd wave of COVID-19;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated any plans to eliminate African Swine Fever which has spread in the Northeast Region, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has data on the number of tea garden workers in North Eastern Region covered by Ayushman Bharat scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) Public Health and hospitals, is a State subject and the primary responsibility of providing accessible, affordable and quality healthcare including setting up of new hospitals, up-gradation and strengthening of existing health facilities lies with the State Governments.

Under the National Health Mission (NHM), Government of India provides financial and technical support to States/UTs to strengthen their health care systems upto secondary care level including for expansion of public health facilities, such as District Hospitals, Community Health Centres (CHCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Sub-Health Centres (SHCs) as well as for deployment of human resources to cater to public health services to all for provision of equitable, affordable healthcare to all its citizens based on requirements posed by the States in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs). The details of projects undertaken for provisioning of improved healthcare in the North East Region are as per **Annexure-I**.

- (b) & (c): A new scheme "India COVID-19 Emergency Response & Health System Preparedness Package: Phase-II" for an amount of Rs.23,123 Crores is under implementation from 01st July 2021 to 31st March, 2022 which aims to accelerate health system preparedness for immediate responsiveness for early prevention, detection and management, with a focus on health infrastructure development including for Paediatric Care and with measurable outcomes. Under this scheme, approval of beds for Paediatric Care Unit, ICU beds, Liquid Medical Oxygen(LMO) tanks and Medical Gas Pipeline System(MGPS) and Establishment of field hospitals is given to NE States. Details are at **Annexure-II**. Total 30492 Oxygen cylinders have been allocated to the North Eastern States. Details are at **Annexure-III**
- (d) The Government has not yet formulated any plan to eliminate African Swine Fever.
- (e) Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan ArogyaYojana (AB-PMJAY) launched on 23.09.2018 provides health cover of Rs. 5 lakh per family per annum to over 10.74 crore poor and vulnerable families identified on the basis of select deprivation and occupational criteria in rural and urban areas respectively. As per design of the scheme, States/UTs have been provided the flexibility to run their own health protection schemes in alliance with AB-PMJAY at their own cost.
 - Category-wise data of beneficiaries is not maintained. Tea garden workers meeting the prescribed criteria are also eligible to avail benefits under the scheme.

The details of projects undertaken for provisioning of improved healthcare in the North East Region under NHM i.e. Sub Centres (SCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs), Sub District Hospitals (SDH) and District Hospitals (DHs), over the last five years are as under:

S.No.	State/UT	SCs	PHCs	CHCs	SDHs	DHs
1	Arunachal Pradesh	59	0	0	0	1
2	Assam	59	0	41	0	1
3	Manipur	0	8	0	0	0
4	Meghalaya	12	34	1	1	1
5	Mizoram	0	8	0	0	0
6	Nagaland	19	11	0	0	0
7	Sikkim	6	1	0	0	0
8	Tripura	0	18	2	0	1

Source: RHS March, 2016 (in RHS 2016-17) and RHS 2019-2020

Projects sanctioned under 'India COVID-19 Emergency Response & Health System Preparedness Package: Phase II (ECRP-II)'

State	Name of Health Project undertaken at Sub Centres (SCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs), Sub District Hospitals (SDH), District Hospitals (DH) and Medical Colleges
Arunachal Pradesh	Paediatric Care Units, ICU beds, LMO tanks and MGPS.
Assam	Paediatric Care Units, ICU beds, Establishment of Field Hospitals, LMO tanks and MGPS.
Manipur	Paediatric Care Units, ICU beds, Establishment of Field Hospitals, LMO tanks and MGPS.
Meghalaya	Paediatric Care Units and Establishment of Field Hospitals.
Mizoram	Paediatric Care Units, LMO tanks and MGPS.
Nagaland	Paediatric Care Units and ICU beds.
Sikkim	Paediatric Care Units , ICU beds, LMO tanks and MGPS.
Tripura	Paediatric Care Units, ICU beds, Establishment of Field Hospitals, LMO tanks and MGPS.

Annexure-III

Details of allocations of Oxygen Cylinders to NE States

S.No.	State	Total Allocation of Oxygen		
		Cylinders (As on 13.12.2021)		
1	Arunachal Pradesh	1446		
2	Assam	14968		
3	Manipur	2581		
4	Meghalaya	3333		
5	Mizoram	2021		
6	Nagaland	2483		
7	Sikkim	1060		
8	Tripura	2600		
	Total	30,492		