

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5272

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HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEMES

5272. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:
SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:
SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of persons and percentage of population with health insurance coverage under the Government schemes from year 2014 till date, schemewise;
- (b) whether the Government is on track to achieve the objective of universal health insurance coverage by the year 2022 as per the NITI Aayog Strategy for New India Report; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(DR. BHAGWAT KARAD)

(a) to (c): Ayushman Bharat — Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) was launched in September 2018 for providing accessible and affordable healthcare to the common man. As the world's largest government-funded healthcare programme, it targeted more than 50 crore beneficiaries at the time of its launch. NITI Aayog's "Strategy for New India @ 75", published in November 2018, envisioned as part of the goal of universal health coverage, coverage of at least 75% of the population with publicly financed health insurance by March 2023.

Against the above target of 50 crore persons, according to information provided by the Department of Health and Family Welfare, 14.09 crore families with an estimated 70 crore persons have been covered under AB-PMJAY. Further, another 14 crore persons have been covered under Employees' State Insurance Scheme and Central Government Health Scheme.
