

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 774
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH FEBRUARY, 2021**

AVAILABILITY OF BEDS IN HOSPITALS

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

- (a) whether as per Human Development Report 2020 India ranks 155th among 167 countries on availability of beds in Hospitals to its population; if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether the patient-bed ratio has improved in the country during the COVID-19 pandemic period as a result of improvement in healthcare infrastructure;
- (c) the number of Government hospitals along with number of beds available State/UT-wise particularly in Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed the number of hospitals and beds required for patients in urban and rural areas, State/UT-wise, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has allocated funds to the States/UTs for setting up of hospitals and increasing beds during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and other necessary steps taken in this regard?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
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(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): As per the Human Development Report 2020 prepared by United Nations Development Programme, India ranks 131 in the Human Development Index. The said report can be accessed from <http://hdr.undp.org/en/2020-report>. The country-specific ranking based on availability of beds in hospitals to population, as mentioned in the question, is based on newspaper articles. The

methodology of the ranking adopted by the concerned newspapers is not known to this Ministry. However, there is no country-wise ranking mentioned in Human Development Report 2020 based on availability of beds in Hospitals to its population.

(b): India COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health System Preparedness Package was approved by Cabinet on 22nd April 2020 with an objective to prevent, detect and respond to the threat posed by COVID-19. Under the Package, the States/UTs have been provided support for the improvement of infrastructure only in public health facilities. Accordingly, as reported by all the States/UTs on Health Management Information System maintained by this Ministry, the number of beds available in Government hospitals (i.e. PHC, CHC, SDH and DH) has increased from 631222 as on 1 April 2020 to 760100 as on 1 January 2021.

(c): The number of Government hospitals (i.e., PHC, CHC, SDH and DH) and number of beds available in these health facilities as reported by States/UTs on Health Management Information System maintained by this Ministry is placed at Annexure.

(d) to (f): Public Health and hospitals, being a State subject, the primary responsibility of providing accessible, affordable and quality healthcare including setting up of new hospitals, upgradation and strengthening of existing health facilities lies with the State Governments. Under the National Health Mission (NHM), however, financial and technical support is provided to States/UTs for strengthening their healthcare systems including for expansion of its public health institutions as well as for deployment of human resources to cater to public health services to all citizens based on the proposals received from States/UTs through Programme Implementation Plan (PIP). The details of State/UT wise allocation of funds through PIPs can be accessed from the website of National Health Mission (<https://nhm.gov.in/>).

Apart from this, States are also being supported under NHM for expansion in capacities, viz. through provision of extra hospital beds, ICUs/HDUs, free diagnostics and free drugs/medicines wherever necessary. The PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat Yojana has been announced for developing capacities of primary, secondary and tertiary care health systems, strengthen existing national institutions, and create new institutions, to cater to detection and cure of new and emerging diseases.

**Number of Government Hospitals (PHC, CHC, SDH and DH)
along with Number of Beds Available State/UT-wise (Material pertaining to Part (c))**

States/UTs	Status as on 1 January 2021	
	Number of Public Health Facilities	Number of Beds Available in Public Health Facilities
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	34	1291
Andhra Pradesh	1771	29419
Arunachal Pradesh	208	2482
Assam	1280	23111
Bihar	2180	18218
Chandigarh	49	3658
Chhattisgarh	1030	16319
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	22	983
Delhi	627	20897
Goa	70	2620
Gujarat	2251	44205
Haryana	718	14773
Himachal Pradesh	776	10542
Jammu and Kashmir	1066	12312
Jharkhand	565	9021
Karnataka	2957	58734
Kerala	1309	40045
Ladakh	41	613
Lakshadweep	10	250
Madhya Pradesh	1944	41641
Maharashtra	3296	71308
Manipur	122	2576
Meghalaya	186	4595
Mizoram	88	2062
Nagaland	170	2052
Odisha	1839	18314
Puducherry	53	4462
Punjab	753	14399
Rajasthan	3283	55438
Sikkim	32	1667
Tamil Nadu	2635	75999
Telangana	980	18518
Tripura	158	4384
Uttarakhand	394	6843
Uttar Pradesh	4454	65114
West Bengal	1915	61235
Grand Total	39266	760100

Source: Data as uploaded by States/UT'S on Health Management Information System