

**Cancer patients**

†1256. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

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

(a) whether the number of cancer patients in the country is more than 25 lakhs at present and 25,000 people are suffering from cancer in Delhi only;

(b) whether the number of cancer patients are increasing by 7 to 9 lakhs every year;

(c) according to the report of the National Cancer Institute, what is the percentage of women suffering from breast cancer in Delhi, Mumbai, Bhopal and Bangalore;

(d) the amount provided in the Budget to combat cancer in the Tenth Five Year Plan; and

(e) the amount given to each medical colleges in the country under cancer awareness campaign?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANBAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) As per information collected by Population Based Cancer Registry functioning under the National Cancer Registry Programme of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), it has been estimated that at any given point of time, there are 25 lakhs cancer patients in the country and about 7-9 lakh new cancer cases are detected every year.

(c) The report of the National Cancer Institute, USA is not available. However based on the Population Based Cancer Registry Programme of ICMR (1999-2000), the percentage of women suffering from breast cancer is as follows:

Delhi	25.07%
Mumbai	25.72%
Bhopal	24.44%
Bangalore	22.09%

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(d) An amount of Rs. 266.00 crore has been provided during the 10th five year plan for National Cancer Control Programme.

(e) Cancer Awareness is integral part of District Cancer Control Programme under which a district is entitled for Rs. 90.00 lakhs during five year period. During the year 2005-06 four districts have been funded under the scheme.

#### **24-Hour Health Service**

1257. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how Government would implement 24-hour health service in remote areas that has been promised under the National Rural Health Mission;

(b) whether the release of Central Budget of the NRHM scheme be dependent on how well the scheme is implemented; and

(c) whether Government have any plans for skilled manpower for effective implementation of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) The National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) envisages accessible, affordable, accountable, effective and reliable primary health care facilities, especially, to the poor and vulnerable sections of the population on 24x7 basis. For this purpose overall improvements in infrastructure is being undertaken. This includes construction of new health facilities as well as refurbishing existing facilities. The Integrated District Health Action Plan envisages mapping of facilities so as to ensure at least one functional health facility on 24x7 basis for a population of one lakh. The optimization of manpower through multiskilling, block pooling, training to Nurses, ANMs, ASHAs and paramedics ensures that critical manpower is available at all times to render the guaranteed services at various levels of health facilities. States have also developed comprehensive manpower augmentation strategy including rationalisation of service conditions & manpower policies, enhancing the retirement age of critical cadres, contractual recruitment etc. Skills like accounting, management and MIS have also been incorporated at various levels to improve the efficiency in the health system.