Source: National Health Profile 2018.

CGHS facility/health insurance for sportspersons

738. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HELATH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is seriously considering the proposal for providing CGHS facilities or health insurance scheme to the sportspersons to avail medical facilities, particularly for Stats level and national level sportsperson in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (c) No; at present there is no proposal to provide CGHS facilities to State level and national level sportspersons in

the country since Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) is primarily meant for the Central Government Employees and Pensioners receiving their salary/pension from Central Civil Estimates.

Most of the elite as well as top level sportspersons, undergoing training at Centres of Sports Authority of India (SAI) are provided expenses towards medical treatment and insurance under various schemes of SAI. Moreover, Sports persons, who are working in Central Government, State Governments, Central PSUs are entitled for same facilities for medical treatment as are available to other employees, as per their respective schemes.

PMSSY in Tamil Nadu

- 739. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has not selected any State Government Medical Colleges/Hospitals for upgradation during phase IV and Phase V(A) under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) in the State of Tamil Nadu; and
- (b) if so, the reasons for not choosing any State Government Medical Colleges/ Hospitals for upgradation during Phase IV and Phase V(A) under PMSSY in the State of Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) and (b) Government of India has taken up 73 Government Medical Colleges (GMCs) for upgradation in various States/UTs of the country to provide super speciality medical care facilities.

Following 4 Government Medical Colleges in Tamil Nadu have already been approved for upgradation under different phases of PMSSY:

- (i) Govt. Mohan Kumaramangalam Medical College, Salem under Phase-I.
- (ii) Madurai Medical College under Phase-II.
- (iii) Thanjavur Medical College under Phase-III
- (iv) Tirunelveli Medical College under Phase-III.