

Budget expenditure on health related matters

2975. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA:

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

- (a) the total expenditure on health, by Centre and States, as a sum total and as a percentage of national GDP, in 2017-18;
- (b) the actions being taken by Government to meet the health spending target of 2.5% of GDP as set by the National Health Policy, 2017;
- (c) whether Government has outlined a roadmap to increase public spending on health to 2.5% of GDP;
- (d) if so, the details of the plan of action including designated timeline; and
- (e) if not, the reasons and explanations therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) As per Economic Survey 2017-18 brought out by the Ministry of Finance, the total expenditure by Government (Central and State Governments combined) on health in 2017-18 (BE) was ₹ 2.25 lakh crore, which was 1.4% of GDP.

(b) to (e) The National Health Policy, 2017 envisages raising public health expenditure to 2.5% of GDP by 2025 in a time bound manner.

Reservation of seats for SC/ST in medical super-speciality courses

2976. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether reservation of seats for students from SC/ST communities is provided for medical super-speciality courses;
- (b) if so, how many seats are available for each of such super-speciality courses in India;
- (c) if not, the reasons for not reserving seats for students from SC/ST communities for super-speciality course; and
- (d) whether reservation in such courses are under consideration of Government?