

Pricing of services under Ayushman Bharat Yojana

3005. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:

SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:

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

(a) whether Government has launched its ambitious healthcare scheme Jan Arogya Abhiyan or Ayushman Bharat Programme recently;

(b) whether it is a fact that some of the prices of medical services to be given to the people are very much less and are negligible in comparison with the present day rates and medical services providers have expressed their unwillingness to accept such low rates;

(c) whether any requests from IMA and other private hospitals have been received to review the prices; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to take care of the apprehensions of the private hospitals and make modifications accordingly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) Government has launched Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana on 23.09.2018.

(b) No. More than 16,000 hospitals have shown interest to provide healthcare services to the intended beneficiaries at the current package rates. Out of these hospitals most of them have been empanelled.

(c) Yes.

(d) No such proposal to make modifications in the existing package rates is presently pending before the Government.

Letters to beneficiaries of Ayushman Bharat Yojana

†3006. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister has instructed to send letters signed by the P.M. to houses of every beneficiary of Ayushman Bharat Yojana;

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(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of the houses of the beneficiaries to whom the letters have been delivered and the time limit fixed to provide letters to all the beneficiaries of the remaining rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) and (b) One of the biggest focus areas of Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) is beneficiary awareness generation. In order to enable the awareness generation at the last mile, letters signed by the Prime Minister are being sent to PMJAY entitled households, as a part of its Information and Education Communication (IEC) activities.

(c) The distribution of letters to the beneficiaries is an on-going activity. Out of 10.74 crore targeted beneficiary families, around 7.5 crore letters have already been issued. The distribution of letters to the remaining beneficiaries is expected to be completed within next one month.

Caesarean deliveries

†3007. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that caesarean deliveries through C-sections in private hospitals and nursing homes are on the rise for the sake of financial gains;

(b) the rate of difference of caesarean deliveries performed in Government hospitals compared to private hospitals and the mechanism on the basis of which such deliveries at private hospitals could be prevented; and

(c) the number of women and newborns who die every year owing to the complications pertaining to pregnancy and delivery, along with extent of shortage of health workers in Government sector aimed at healthcare facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) As per National Family Health

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