

of a blood relative has been given. States have also been advised to facilitate opening of zero balance accounts for TB patients, if necessary, under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) and Indian Postal Bank.

The Government is committed to achieve the target of TB elimination by 2025 and not considering any revision in targets.

#### **Identifying beneficiaries under PMJAY**

213. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified beneficiaries to be enrolled under Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY);

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; 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) Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) is an entitlement-based scheme and there is no enrolment of beneficiary under PMJAY. The total number of beneficiary families identified under PMJAY is around 10.74 crore. National Health Agency (NHA), registered as a society, has been setup by the Government to implement PMJAY and NHA has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) for implementing PMJAY with 33 States/UTs out of which 28 States/UTs have already started extending services to the targeted beneficiaries since the launch of PMJAY on 23.09.2018.

#### **Increase in percentage of tobacco users**

214. SHRI MAJEED MEMON: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to Global Adult Tobacco Survey (GATS)-2, the overall use of tobacco went up from 16.2 per cent in 2009-10 to 20.0 per cent in 2016-17 in Tamil Nadu, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the percentage of smokeless tobacco users Vs. tobacco smoking usage;

(c) the details of the GATS-2 survey, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to curb the availability of cigarettes at stores, indicating easy availability?