

**Phenomenal increase in Non-Communicable
Diseases (NCDs) in India**

1192. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a joint study concluded recently by Indian Council of Medical Research and a few other agencies concluded that six out of ten Indians succumb to NCDs like heart ailments, diabetes, tuberculosis, etc. in comparison to one in three in 1990;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) what is the reason for largest share of NCDs in Kerala, Goa and Tamil Nadu even though their being relatively prosperous States; and
- (d) whether Government has any plan to tackle this problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (c) According to Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) report entitled "India: Health of the Nation's States", Contribution of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) to total death in the Country was 61.8% in 2016, as compared to 37.9% in 1990. Tuberculosis is a Communicable Disease.

In the States of Kerala, Goa and Tamil Nadu, due to epidemiological transition, fewer deaths are recorded for Communicable, maternal, neonatal and nutritional diseases, thereby raising share of NCDs in total deaths.

Risk factors for NCDs inter alia include ageing, unhealthy diet, lack of physical activity, high blood pressure, high blood sugar, high cholesterol and overweight.

- (d) Though public health is a State subject, Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Governments. National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) is being implemented under the National Health Mission (NHM). The objectives of the programme include health promotion activities and opportunistic screening for common Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) including cancer.

Population based screening of common NCDs, *i.e.* diabetes, hypertension and cancers (Oral, Breast and Cervical cancer) has also been initiated under National Health Mission (NHM). Key components of population based screening include community based risk assessment, screening, referral, and follow up of all individuals of 30 years and above for common NCDs (hypertension, diabetes, oral cancer, breast cancer and cervical cancer). The initiative will help in early diagnosis and will generate awareness on risk factors of NCDs.

To enhance the facilities for tertiary care of cancer, the Central Government is implementing Strengthening of Tertiary Care Cancer facilities scheme to support setting up of State Cancer Institutes (SCI) and Tertiary Care Centres (TCCC) in different parts of the country.

Oncology in its various aspects has focus in case of new AIIMS and many upgraded institutions under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna (PMSSY).

Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment (AMRIT) Deendayal outlets have been opened at 159 Institutions/Hospitals with an objective to make available Cancer and Cardiovascular Diseases drugs and implants at discounted prices to the patients. Jan Aushadhi stores are set up by Department of Pharmaceuticals to provide generic medicines at affordable prices.

Financial assistance to States for hospitals

1193. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received proposals from the States regarding financial assistance for improving the infrastructural and other facilities in their respective Government hospitals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether Government proposes to allocate more funds to the States for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (d) Public health and hospitals being a State subject, the primary responsibility of improving the infrastructure and other facilities, lies with respective State/UT Governments. However, under National Health Mission, technical and financial support is provided to States/UTs for strengthening their healthcare system including improving the infrastructural and other facilities, in the form of Record of Proceeding (RoPs) based on the proposals submitted by the States in their Program Implementation Plans (PIPs). The details of RoPs of the States/UTs for the last three years are available in the public domain and accessible at <https://nhm.gov.in/index4.php?lang=1&level=0&linkid=449&lid=53>.

Funds allocated to the States/UTs for the last three years under hospital strengthening including new construction/renovation, are placed at Statement.