

1	2	3	4	5	6
30.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	64	56	0	0
31.	Chandigarh	306	434	0	101
32.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	320	347	0	73
33.	Daman and Diu	105	71	0	0
34.	Delhi	10439	8896	522	439
35.	Lakshadweep	51	52	18	18
36.	Puducherry	2237	2200	NA	NA
TOTAL (ALL INDIA)		80214	77203	42774	35318

#Sanctioned data for year 2015 used.

NA:Not Available.

Agitation by ASHA workers for pay increase

1176. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that many ASHA workers, who are working in health sectors are agitating for increasing their salaries and perks;
- (b) if so, Government's response thereto;
- (c) whether Government is considering to increase the salaries of ASHA workers in Medical and Health department in various parts of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and by when it will be increased?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) and (b) In recent past, requests have been received from ASHA workers regarding such issues. The issue has been examined on many occasions and it has been decided to continue with the existing system of performance based incentives in line with the role envisaged for ASHAs under the Mission as honorary volunteers.

(c) and (d) Under the National Health Mission. ASHAs are envisaged to be community health volunteers and are entitled to task/activity based incentives. Apart from incentives approved for ASHAs at national level. States have the flexibility to design ASHA incentives. The incentives to ASHAs for different tasks are regularly reviewed from time to time. Accordingly, Government of India has recently approved increase in the amount of routine and recurring incentives under National Health Mission for ASHAs that will enable ASHAs to get at least ₹ 2000/- per month subject to carrying out assigned tasks. List of various activities for which incentives are increased to ASHAs is given at Statement (*See below*). Government has also approved enhancement of supervisory visit charges for ASHA facilitators from ₹ 250/-per visit to ₹ 300/- per visit.

Statement

Details of various activities for which incentives have been increased to ASHAs

Sl. No.	Routine and Recurring Activity	Existing Monthly incentives (in ₹)	Revised Monthly incentives (in ₹)
1	2	3	4
1.	Mobilizing and attending VHND	200	200
2.	Convening and guiding VHSNC meeting	150	150
3.	Attending the PHC Review meeting	150	150
4.	Line listing of households done at beginning of the year and updated after six months.	100	300
5.	Maintaining village health register and supporting universal registration of births and deaths to be updated on monthly basis	100	300
6.	Preparation of due list of children to be immunized to be updated on monthly basis	100	300
7.	Preparation of list of ANC beneficiaries to be updated on monthly basis	100	300

1	2	3	4
8.	Preparation of list of eligible couples to be updated on monthly basis	100	300
TOTAL		1000	2000

Districts lacking blood banks

1177. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 80 districts in the country do not have blood banks, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has taken any steps/will take steps to ensure that all the districts in the country have at least one blood bank;

(c) if so, efforts taken by Government in this direction; and

(d) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) Yes. Licensed blood banks are present in all except seventy nine districts in the country.

The State-wise list of districts without blood banks is given at Statement (*See below*).

(b) to (d): Public Health is a State subject and the responsibility of setting up of Blood Banks in accordance to policy of Government of India lies with State Governments. State Governments ensure establishment of blood banks in districts without blood banks including newly carved out districts so as to have at least one blood bank per district.

Under National Health Mission, support has been provided to States to set up 74 blood banks and 1583 blood storage centres.