

Untimely removal of uterus

†2656. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

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

(a) whether Government is aware of the incidents of untimely removal of uterus of large number of young women by private hospitals for their personal gain in various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(b) the details of the steps taken by Government to check the trend of untimely removal of uterus of young women; and

(c) whether Government is conducting any study in this regards to know the factual position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) and (b) No such specific incident has been reported to the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. As per the constitutional provisions, 'Health' is a State subject. Therefore, such complaints would generally be addressed to the State/Union Territory concerned. Data regarding the complaints received by States is not maintained centrally.

It is within the domain of State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration to take appropriate measures under the legal framework applicable in the respective State/UT to check such malpractices, if any.

(c) No.

Eradicating TB by 2025

†2657. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has developed a National Strategic Plan including the target of eradicating Tuberculosis by the year 2025, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the status of TB in the country and its ratio *vis-a-vis* the population according to the Global TB Report; and

(c) whether Government has any plan to use artificial intelligence device to root out diseases like TB and Cancer, if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) The Ministry has developed the National Strategic Plan (NSP) for Tuberculosis (2017-2025) with the goal of ending TB by 2025.

The key focus areas are:—

- Early diagnosis of all the TB patients, prompt treatment with quality assured drugs and treatment regimens along with suitable patient support systems to promote adherence.
- Engaging with the patients seeking care in the private sector.
- Prevention strategies including active case finding and contact tracing in high risk/vulnerable population.
- Airborne infection control.
- Multi-sectoral response for addressing social determinants.

(b) According to the World Health Organization Global TB report 2018, the estimated number of TB cases in India in 2017 was 27,40,000, amounting incidence of 204 per lakh population.

(c) Yes, the Government has plans to use Artificial Intelligence (AI) for addressing various issues in TB like AI assisted TB Smear Microscopy and X-Ray in screening for TB. Also AI is being explored for monitoring treatment adherence and surveillance of TB disease at State and District levels.

Subsidy for roof top solar system

2658. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has paid attention and analysed the reason for low take-off of roof top solar power system in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any subsidy element is being proposed for roof top solar project, especially in rural areas where the energy supply is not dependable; and
- (d) the efforts made by Government to popularise roof top solar system in the country in coordination with the State Governments?