

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No-2664
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2021**

AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL MISSION

2664 SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA:

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

- (a) whether Government will be providing infrastructural, technical and training support to public and private hospitals in pursuit of implementation of the Mission;
- (b) how does Government plan to address data privacy and data breach concerns regarding the Mission and protect individual's right to privacy;
- (c) how does Government plan to ensure that the Mission can be effectively implemented and be accessible to digitally illiterate populations and areas; and
- (d) the details of the implementation of the National Digital Health Mission (NDHM) pilot project?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (d)

Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) is implemented by National Health Authority (NHA). Its aims to create an online platform enabling interoperability of health data within the health ecosystem to create longitudinal electronic health record of every citizen. NHA is providing necessary support including technical assistance and training, for all stakeholders to integrate their solutions under ABDM ecosystem. The digital health ecosystem created by ABDM supports continuity of care across primary, secondary and tertiary healthcare in a seamless manner. It ensures availability of health care services particularly in remote and rural areas

'Privacy by Design' is one of the key guiding principles of ABDM. Under ABDM, no health data is centrally stored and it facilitates secure data exchange between the intended stakeholders after the citizens' consent.

The pilot phase of ABDM was successfully conducted between 15th August 2020 to 27th September 2021. It was taken up in six Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Ladakh, Lakshadweep and Puducherry. Three key registries of NDHM namely Health ID, Health Professional Registry (HPR), Health Facility Registry (HFR) and digital infrastructure for data exchange have been developed and implemented in these UTs