

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1540
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15th MARCH, 2022**

**PROJECTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMMES IN HEALTH SECTOR IN WEST
BENGAL**

1540: SHRI JAWHAR SIRCAR:

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

- (a) the major projects and special programmes that the Union Government is undertaking in the health sector in West Bengal;
- (b) the project costs of the major ones in West Bengal and their time and cost schedules, as well as their benefits; and
- (c) whether any pockets in the State require special programmes for chronic local diseases and the details of the same?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
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(a) to (c) "Public Health and Hospitals" is a State subject and the primary responsibility of strengthening public healthcare system including up gradation and strengthening of existing health facilities lies with the respective State/ UT.

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), under NHM provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs including West Bengal to strengthen their public healthcare system. Proposal from State Government of West Bengal is received in the form of Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) and after appraisal approvals are given in the form of Record of Proceedings (RoPs) as per resource envelope of the State. Under NHM support for an amount of Rs 3301.02 Crore has been approved in FY 2021-22 to the State of West Bengal. The details of PIPs and RoPs for the past years i.r.o. West Bengal are available at website of National Health Mission www.nhm.gov.in at the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) as under:

<https://nhm.gov.in/index4.php?lang=1&level=0&linkid=62&lid=75>

Under **Ayushman Bharat**, the existing Sub-health Centres (SHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) are upgraded into Ayushman Bharat - Health & Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs) to deliver twelve packages of Comprehensive Primary Health Care (CPHC) that includes preventive, promotive, curative, palliative and rehabilitative services which is universal, free and

close to the community. As on date, 6042 Health & Wellness Centres have been operationalized as on 10.03.2022 as reported by the State of West Bengal on the AB-HWC Portal.

The **PM-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)** is the largest Health Infrastructure scheme in the Country which aims to address the critical gaps in health infrastructural, surveillance and health research – spanning both the urban and rural areas. The scheme has Centrally Sponsored Scheme Components along with some Central Sector Components. Under the CSS components, States/UTs have been supported to strengthen the States' Health Infrastructure. Under the scheme, State of West Bengal is allocated an amount of Rs 2625.16 Crore for implementation period of 2021-22 to 2025-26. The support is provided for Construction of Building-less Sub Health Centres, operationalization of Urban Health & Wellness Centres, establishment of District Integrated Public Health laboratory, 100 bedded Critical Care Blocks and 50 bedded Critical Care Blocks during the scheme period.

The Government of India is also implementing **Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY)** which aims correcting regional imbalances in the availability of affordable tertiary healthcare services and to augment facilities for quality medical education in the country. The Scheme has two components viz. (i) Setting up of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and (ii) Upgradation of existing Government Medical Colleges/ Institutions (GMCIs). So far setting up of 22 new AIIMS and 75 projects of upgradation of GMCIs have been approved under the Scheme in various phases. Upgradation of GMCIs under PMSSY broadly involves construction of Super Speciality Block (SSB) and/or Trauma Centre / or other facilities and/or procurement of medical equipment.

In so far as State of West Bengal is concerned, the details of the approved projects under PMSSY is placed at **Annexure-I**.

National Programme on Antimicrobial Resistance Containment under umbrella scheme “Establishment and strengthening of National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) branches and Health Initiatives, Inter-sectoral coordination for preparation and control of zoonotic Diseases and other neglected tropical diseases, surveillance of Viral Hepatitis, Anti Microbial Resistance (AMR)”, was initiated during the 12th five-year plan (2012-17) and is coordinated by NCDC, MoHFW. Under the programme State medical college labs are strengthened in a phased manner for AMR surveillance and containment activities. In the year 2020-21, School of Tropical Medicine, Kolkata, West Bengal was included under the programme. The lab is supported with funds for recruiting manpower, purchase of equipment and consumable. Fund of Rs 19,80,202/- has been released as on date. The network labs are to carry out various activities for AMR containment including submission of AMR surveillance data for pathogens of public health importance, antimicrobial use surveillance and develop antibiograms for guiding the development of local antibiotic policy. The programme encompasses the benefits which includes strengthening of the Microbiology Department, Burdwan Medical College to carry out surveillance of viral hepatitis and estimate the burden of viral hepatitis in the State of West Bengal.

Details of the approved projects under PMSSY in the State of West Bengal

S. No.	Name of the College/Institute	Phase	Approved outlay (Rs. Cr)			Facilities envisaged
			Central	State	Total	
AIIMS Project						
	AIIMS Kalyani	IV	1754	-	1754	960 beds with 12 Speciality and 15 Super-speciality Departments along with Emergency/ Trauma Beds, AYUSH Beds, Private Beds and ICU Speciality & Super Speciality beds. In addition, a Medical College with 100 under graduate (MBBS) seats and 60 B.Sc. (Nursing) seats, AYUSH Block, Auditorium, Night Shelter, Guest House, Hostels and residential facilities.
GMC Upgradation projects						
1.	Kolkata Medical College, Kolkata	I	100	20	120	OPD Block; Academic Block; and 235 bedded Super Speciality Block, with 10 OTs
2.	B.S. Medical College, Bankura	III	120	30	150	250 bedded Super Speciality Block, with 6 OTs
3.	Govt. Medical College, Malda	III	120	30	150	201 bedded Trauma Care Centre and Emergency Medical Block, with 9 OTs
4.	North Bengal Medical College, Siliguri	III	120	30	150	255 bedded Super Speciality Block with 8 OTs