

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 893
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2025**

CONTROL OF NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

893. SHRI BABUBHAI JESANGBHAI DESAI:

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to strengthen the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases, and Stroke (NPCDCS) in rural and underserved areas, particularly in Gujarat;
- (b) whether Government is addressing the rising burden of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in the country, with specific reference to Gujarat, and if so, the budget allocations made for NCD prevention and management in the State;
- (c) whether Government has data on the increase in NCD cases among youth in Gujarat; and
- (d) if so, the details of interventions being implemented to curb this trend in the State?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (d): To address the rising burden of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD) as part of National Health Mission (NHM), based on the proposals received from the States and Union Territories and subject to the resource envelope. The programme focuses on strengthening infrastructure, human resource development, early diagnosis, referral to an appropriate level of healthcare facility for treatment and management and health promotion and awareness generation for prevention, of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs). 770 District NCD Clinics and 6410 Community Health Center (CHC) NCD Clinics have been set up under the programme. In all 33 districts of Gujarat, 33 District NCD Clinics and 365 CHC NCD clinics have been setup.

Funds are provided under NCD Flexi-Pool through State Programme Implementation Plan (PIPs) with the Centre to State share to respective States/UTs. Details of funds allocated for State of Gujarat for FY 2021-22 to 2023-24 are as follows:

(Rs in Lakhs)		
2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
2,076.80	4,071.68	3,778.31

Under NP-NCD, a population-based initiative for prevention, control and screening for common NCDs i.e. diabetes, hypertension and common cancers has been rolled out in the country as a part of Comprehensive Primary Health Care. Under the initiative, persons more than 30 years of age are targeted for their screening. In Gujarat, as per NCD portal, a total of 3.05 crores have been screened, 33.52 lakhs diagnosed and 33.47 lakhs put on treatment for five common NCDs (hypertension, diabetes, oral cancer, breast cancer and cervical cancer) till 30th January 2025.

Preventive aspect of Non-Communicable Diseases is strengthened under Comprehensive Primary Health Care through Ayushman Aarogya Mandir Scheme by promotion of wellness activities and targeted communication at the community level. Other initiatives for increasing public awareness and promotion of healthy lifestyle includes observation of National and International Days and use of print, electronic and social media for continued community awareness. Furthermore, healthy eating is also promoted through Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI). Fit India movement is implemented by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, and various Yoga related activities are being carried out by Ministry of AYUSH.

The State Government of Gujarat has informed that in order to ensure early detection of NCDs, 'Friday' is allocated for NCD screenings and consultations at Public Health Institutions. NCD awareness programmes / campaigns are also conducted to educate public about the risk factors, prevention and management of NCDs.
