

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

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 277  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2018  
COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH SERVICE**

†\*277. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

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

(a) whether a large number of people in rural and urban areas of the country fail to get treatment for severe diseases requiring expensive treatment due to financial constraints;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to implement a comprehensive health service coverage in view of this grave situation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA  
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(a) & (b) No data is centrally maintained as to the number of people failing to get treatment for severe diseases due to financial constraints.

(c) & (d) “Public Health & Hospitals” being a State subject, the primary responsibility for providing comprehensive and affordable health services lies with respective State/UT Governments. Technical and financial support under the National Health Mission (NHM) is being provided to States/UTs for strengthening their health system for provision of universally accessible, affordable and quality healthcare. Support is also provided under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana, (RSBY) to provide for inpatient care upto Rs. 30,000 per annum per family to all BPL population and 11 other defined categories of unorganised workers. Government of India is also implementing Senior Citizen Health Insurance Scheme (SCHIS) for Senior Citizens of age 60 years and above, with effect from 01.04.2016, as a top up scheme of Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY).

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