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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 792 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2024

HIMCARE HEALTH SCHEME

792. SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP:

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

- (a) whether Himcare health scheme is being run in Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) whether any budget has been sanctioned by the Union Government in this regard;
- (c) if so, the number of beneficiaries under the said scheme; and
- (d) whether the scheme has been discontinued recently?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (d): Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) is the largest publicly funded health protection scheme in the world which aims to provide health cover of Rs. 5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to 12 crore families.

As per information received from Government of Himachal Pradesh, Mukhya Mantri Himachal Health Care Scheme (HIMCARE) has been launched by the State in 2019 for the beneficiaries who are not covered under AB-PMJAY or State Government Medical Reimbursement Policy.

As on 15.07.2024, a total of 8.60 lakh patients have been benefited under the said scheme. The scheme has not been discontinued.
