GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRD QUESTION NO. 612 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY 2023

REDUCTION OF BUDGETARY ALLOCATIONS TO HEALTH SCHEMES

612. SHRI B. PARTHASARADHI REDDY:

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

the reasons for the reduction of budgetary allocations to the Department of Health Research, National Health Mission and the Tertiary Care Programme in the Financial Year 2023-24?

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

The budgetary allocation of Department of Health Research for the last year had a provision of Rs. 323.00 Crore for COVID-19 Emergency Response, a component under PM-ABHIM. In the current year there is no such provision for COVID-19 Emergency Response. Hence, there is a reduction in the Budget for 2023-24 pertaining to PM-ABHIM. However, the total budgetary allocation for 5 years from 2021-22 to 2025-26 under PM-ABHIM for Department of Health Research is Rs. 1670 Crore.

The budgetary allocation for National Health Mission in the year 2023-24 is 29,085.26 Crore in comparison to the budgetary allocation of Rs. 28,859.73 Crore for the financial year 2022-23. Hence, there is no reduction of budgetary allocation.

The budget provision for Tertiary Care Programmes in the year 2023-24 is Rs. 289.81 Crore as compared to BE 20222-23 of Rs. 500.50 Crore. There is a reduction in the current year due to non- receipt of adequate viable proposals from the States, non-receipt of Utilization certificates from the implementing agencies during previous year. However, in case of any additional requirement of funds during current financial year, the same would be sought in the pre-budget meeting with Ministry of Finance at Revised Estimates stage.
