

Factsheet by SDC Foundation on

Per Capita Public Health Expenditure in the Himalayan states from 2017 to 2019

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S.No.	Himalayan State	2019 (in Rs.)	2018	2017
1.	Arunachal	10869	10563	6985
2.	Himachal	3768	3622	2786
3.	J&K	3448	3578	2443
4.	Manipur	2680	2844	2231
5.	Meghalaya	3938	3411	2507
6.	Mizoram	5145	6027	5540
7.	Nagaland	3200	3156	2538
8.	Sikkim	5971	7483	7683
9.	Tripura	2568	2575	2013
10.	Uttarakhand	2380	2008	1499
	INDIA	1765	1601	1335

(Data source: [Reserve Bank of India, State Finances 2019](#))

- Uttarakhand remains the poorest performer. It has made the least per capita public health expenditure amongst all the Himalayan states from 2017 to 2019.
- Arunachal Pradesh spends the most on public health (per capita wise). The state has spent Rs. 28417 in three years compared to Rs. 5887 by Uttarakhand.
- Sikkim remains the top second state in terms of per capita public health expenditure amongst the Himalayan states.
- In these three years, even the neighboring Himachal Pradesh has spent double the amount of Uttarakhand.
- Himalayan states like Himachal, Sikkim and others in Northeast are spending almost three times more than the national average.
- Country's National Health Policy 2017 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare recommends per capita expenditure of at least Rs. 3800 in order to deliver quality healthcare services.
- Experts have also suggested that states with improved spending on public health have resulted in better management of COVID-19 crisis compared those who spend meagerly.

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