

National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Authority (NPPA) under the Department of Pharmaceuticals also regulates the prices of drugs, including notified medical devices, under the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 (DPCO, 2013) to ensure affordability.

Four devices namely (i) Cardiac Stents, (ii) Drug Eluting Stents (iii) Condoms and (iv) Intra Uterine Devices have been included in the Schedule-I to the DPCO, 2013 and their ceiling prices have been fixed. In addition, the ceiling prices of Orthopaedic Knee Implants for knee replacement system have also been notified under paragraph 19 of the DPCO, 2013.

Further, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has started AMRIT (Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment) stores where essential life saving medicines and implants are being provided at a substantial discount *vis-à-vis* the Maximum Retail Price.

#### **New health and wellness centres**

1553. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has allotted 1,200 cr. for 1.5 lakh health and wellness centres in various parts of the country during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating State-wise progress made so far in this regard; and

(c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to achieve the target fixed to build 1.5 lakh health and wellness centres in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) 1.5 lakh health and wellness centres announced in the Union Budget of 2018, are to be set up by end of 2022. In the current year ₹ 1200 crore has been allocated.

(b) Against a target of 15000 HWCs in the current year, approvals have been accorded for 21411 HWCs. The State-wise details of approvals accorded for Health and Wellness Centres till July, 2018 are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) The steps taken by the Government include:—

- Preparation and dissemination of Operational Guidelines for Comprehensive Primary Health Care through Health and Wellness Centres, Design manual for branding of HWCs
- Training of Human Resource has been initiated. 221 State Trainers from

all States trained for training Primary Health care Team in NCD service package. 49,017 ASHAs, 13,641 ANM/MPW, 1203 Staff Nurses and 2075 PHC Medical Officers have been trained.

- Deputing team of National mentors for handholding and supervision with respect to operationalization of HWCs in all States with focus on aspirational districts.
- Expediting accreditation of Programme Study Centres to train the cadre of Mid-Level Health Providers (MLHPs) in the Certificate Programme in Community Health. 121 Programme Study Centres have been accredited so far.
- Maximum Batch Strength for admissions per Programme Study Centres (PSCs) has been increased from 30 to 60 candidates/batch for 150 bedded and above District Hospital.
- Public/Health universities of States have also been permitted to run the course.
- NCD Module of the CPHC IT system has been launched in April, 2018, 150 trainers from all States and UTs have been trained to train service providers in use of this IT application.

#### *Statement*

*State-wise details of approvals accorded for Health and Wellness Centres till July, 2018*

Sl.No.	States	Approvals accorded till July, 2018
1.	Bihar	534
2.	Chhattisgarh	800
3.	Jharkhand	776
4.	Madhya Pradesh	690
5.	Odisha	1148
6.	Rajasthan	679
7.	Uttar Pradesh	3058
8.	Uttarakhand	426
9.	Arunachal Pradesh	132
10.	Assam	878
11.	Manipur	103

Sl.No.	States	Approvals accorded till July, 2018
12.	Meghalaya	42
13.	Mizoram	32
14.	Nagaland	63
15.	Sikkim	39
16.	Tripura	46
17.	Andhra Pradesh	1050
18.	Gujarat	1645
19.	Goa	5
20.	Haryana	408
21.	Himachal Pradesh	137
22.	Jammu and Kashmir	380
23.	Maharashtra	1841
24.	Karnataka	1142
25.	Kerala	671
26.	Punjab	1033
27.	Tamil Nadu	1915
28.	Telangana	590
29.	West Bengal	1010
30.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	34
31.	Chandigarh	34
32.	Daman and Diu	22
33.	Delhi	0
34.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	24
35.	Lakshadweep	3
36.	Puducherry	21
TOTAL		21,411

**Status of dental health care**

1554. SHRI MD. NADIMUL HAQUE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of dental health care in the country;