

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1329
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th FEBRUARY, 2021

Proposal to set up new Janaushadhi Kendras in Jharkhand

1329 # Shri Deepak Prakash:

Will the Minister of **Chemicals and Fertilizers** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to open more Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras in Jharkhand so that medicines can be made available to people at affordable prices; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(SHRI D. V. SADANANDA GOWDA)**

(a) & (b): As on 8th February, 2021, 7303 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) are functional across the country, of which 69 PMBJKs are functioning in the State of Jharkhand. All districts of the State of Jharkhand have been covered under the scheme.

Department of Pharmaceuticals has requested State/UT Governments to facilitate opening of Janaushadhi Kendras in the premises of Primary Healthcare Centers (PHCs)/Community Health Centers (CHCs)/Hospitals, including super specialty hospitals, by providing rent-free space within their premises. The Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI), the implementing agency of the Scheme, also organizes various workshops and seminars on regular basis to encourage private entrepreneurs/NGOs/Civil Societies and unemployed pharmacists for opening PMBJP Kendras.
