

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 754
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH FEBRUARY, 2022**

WORKING OF CGHS CENTRES

754. SHRI A. D. SINGH:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that duties assigned to CGHS doctors with MBBS degree have been reduced to just data entry and printing approval letters so that patients go to Panel hospitals;
- (b) whether these doctors examine patients, suggest tests and prescribe medicines for any one; and
- (c) what Government proposes to do when the CGHS centres face internet failures and hence no patients are seen by doctors and no medicine is dispensed?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): CGHS Wellness Centres provide primary health care facilities. General Duty Medical Officers (GDMOs) examine patients, provide consultation, prescribe medicines and advise investigations/tests within their domain. CGHS beneficiaries are referred to empanelled private hospitals only for specialist consultation, as per requirement.

Essential Medicines are issued manually in case of interruption in internet service. CGHS beneficiaries also have the option to avail services from nearby CGHS Wellness Centre.
