

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1055
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26TH JULY, 2022**

FACILITIES FOR SECONDARY HEALTH CARE IN URBAN AREAS

1055. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN :

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state :-

- a) the status of health care facilities that provide secondary level care in urban areas in the country and the population norm currently followed for the same;
- b) the number of new secondary urban health care facilities Government has initiated in the last three years; and
- c) the plan to have specialists appointed and retained in the CHCs at secondary hospitals in urban areas?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Urban Community Health Centres (UCHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs), Sub-District Hospitals (SDHs), District Hospitals (DHs) and Medical Colleges (MC) provide the secondary level care in the urban areas of the country. As per the norms defined in Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) 2022, UCHC cater to population of 2.5 lakhs in non-metro cities and 5.00 lakhs in metro cities whereas CHC caters to around 1.2 lakhs of population.
- (b) The Government has established 120 UCHCs / CHCs, eight (8) District Hospitals (DHs) during 2018-19 to 2020-21 as per Rural Health Statistics (RHS) data and 43 Government Medical Colleges (GMCs) during 2019-20 to 2021-22 in urban areas in the last three years.
- (c) National Health Mission (NHM) / National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) provides only an enabling environment to States for the appointment and retention of human resources. The recruitment/ appointment of personnel is in the domain of respective State Governments as per their local needs and context.
