

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

RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1619  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 06<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2024

**Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Karnataka**

**1619 Shri Lahar Singh Siroya:**

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

- (a) the total number of Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Kendras set up in Karnataka, districtwise;
- (b) whether Government is providing a financial assistance of up to ₹ five lakhs in case of the Kendras being set up within the hospital premises;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the total number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras targeted to be set up in the country and in Karnataka by the end of year 2024; and
- (e) the details of benefits being extended to the common people of the country through Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Kendras?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS &  
FERTILIZERS**

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), 1,277 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) have been opened in the State of Karnataka till 31.07.2024. District- wise list of PMBJKs opened in Karnataka till 31.07.2024 is enclosed as **Annexure**.

(b) & (c): The Government is providing financial assistance to entrepreneurs in the following manner: -

- i. The PMBJKs run by entrepreneurs of any class that are linked with PMBI through software get purchase-based incentive up to Rs. 5.00 Lakh.
- ii. One-time additional incentive of Rs. 2.00 lakh (as reimbursement for IT & infrastructure expenditure) is provided to the PMBJP Kendras opened in North-Eastern States, Himalayan areas, Island territories and backward areas mentioned as aspirational district by NITI Aayog or those opened by women entrepreneurs, Ex-serviceman, Divyang and SC & ST.

The above financial assistance is also provided to Jan Aushadhi Kendras being opened in government hospitals/premises.

(d): The Government has set a target to open 15,000 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) by 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025 across the country. There is no State/UT-wise allocation for opening of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs).

(e): Details of benefits being extended to the common people of the country through Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Kendras are as under:-

- Under PMBJP, 2047 types of medicines and 300 surgical and medical consumables have been brought under the basket for sale through Jan Aushadhi Kendras. Prices of Jan Aushadhi medicines are generally 50%-90% cheaper than those of branded counterparts which are available in the open market.
- Under the PMBJP, Government has launched Jan Aushadhi Suvidha Sanitary Napkins at Rs. 1/- per pad for women to ensure easy availability of sanitary napkins at affordable prices. These pads are being sold through more than 12000 Jan Aushadhi kendras, opened across the country. Since inception (till 30.06.2024) over 57.00 crore Jan Aushadhi Suvidha Sanitary Pads have been sold through Jan Aushadhi Kendras.
- The scheme has made significant impact to the lives of common people by providing quality generic medicines at affordable prices. Over the last 10 years, sale of medicines worth Rs. 5,600 crores have been made through PMBJKs, which has led to an estimated savings of Rs. 30,000 crore to the citizens. Further, the scheme provides opportunities for self-employment with sustainable and regular earnings.

**Annexure**

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED Q. NO. 1619 for answer on 06.08.2024 raised by Shri Lahar Singh Siroya regarding Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Karnataka**

<b>District- wise list of PMBJKs opened in Karnataka till 31.07.2024</b>		
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the District</b>	<b>Number of PMBJKs opened</b>
1	Bagalkote	27
2	Ballari	24
3	Belagavi	20
4	Bengaluru Rural	31
5	Bengaluru Urban	362
6	Bidar	25
7	Bijapur	1
8	Chamarajanagara	12
9	Chikkaballapura	13
10	Chikkamagaluru	21
11	Chitradurga	19
12	Dakshina Kannada	111
13	Davangere	33
14	Dharwad	40
15	Gadag	15
16	Hassan	22
17	Haveri	36
18	Kalaburagi	29
19	Kodagu	19
20	Kolar	17
21	Koppal	22
22	Mandya	42
23	Mysuru	68
24	Raichur	26
25	Ramanagara	14
26	Shivamogga	37
27	Tumakuru	38
28	Udupi	64
29	Uttara Kannada	26
30	Vijayanagar	9
31	Vijayapura	40
32	Yadgir	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,277</b>

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