

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2193
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST JANUARY, 2019**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHYSIOTHERAPISTS

2193. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

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

- (a) the details of employment opportunities available in Government sector for Physiotherapists;
- (b) whether any study or survey has been conducted in the last three years to know the demand and supply of physiotherapists both in Government and private sector;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) details of ratio between patient and physiotherapists in the country in general and in various hospitals and departments under the Ministry in particular;
- (e) whether the said ratio meets WHO norms; and
- (f) if not, the remedial/corrective measures taken/being taken thereon?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) to (c): As Health is a State subject, no such information is maintained centrally.

As per available information, no survey has been conducted in respect of Central Government Hospitals specific to demand and supply and employment opportunities. Demand and supply of physiotherapists in these hospitals depend upon workload.

The details regarding sanctioned strength and Physiotherapist in-position in Central Government Hospitals in Delhi namely, Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals, are as under:

Hospital	Sanctioned Strength	In-position
Safdarjung Hospital	44	29
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital	14	14
Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals	07	05

(d) to (f): As per available information, norms regarding patient and physiotherapist ratio have not been recommended by WHO.

The ratio of Physiotherapist to patient is 1:31 in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital; 1:6 in Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi and 1:10 in Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals.