

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 761  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2022**

**VACANCIES IN THE HEALTH SECTOR**

**761. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:**

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

- (a) the percentage of posts of paramedical staff, doctors, specialists, radiographers, pharmacists and laboratory technicians falling vacant in Government hospitals including rural health centres in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the percentage of PHCs, CHCs and sub-centres related to health centres in the country facing shortage of manpower; and
- (c) the details of total sanctioned/vacant/filled posts in health sector in the country since 2017 till date, year-wise?

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

(a) to (c): All the administrative and personnel matters related to health human resource lies with the respective State/UT Governments. However, under National Health Mission, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare provides financial and technical support to States/UTs to strengthen their healthcare systems based on the requirements posed by them in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) within their overall resource envelope.

State-wise details of posts of doctors, specialists, radiographers, pharmacists and laboratory technicians falling vacant in CHCs and PHCs in the Rural areas in the country are available at website of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at the Uniform Resource Locator URL as under: [https://main.mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/rhs20-21\\_2.pdf](https://main.mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/rhs20-21_2.pdf)

The percentage of PHCs, CHCs and sub-centres related to health centres in the country facing shortage of manpower is not maintained centrally.

As per RHS 2016-17 to 2020-21, the details of total sanctioned/vacant/filled posts in District Hospitals and Sub-District Hospitals and CHCs and PHCs in the Rural areas in the country since 2017 to 2021 (year-wise) are placed at Annexure-I.

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**Annexure-I****Details of Doctors at District Hospitals, Sub-District Hospitals and PHCs in Rural Areas**

Year ( as on )	Doctors								
	DISTRICT HOSPITAL			SUB DISTRICT/ SUB DIVISIONAL HOSPITAL			PHC		
	Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant	Sanctioned	In Position	Vacant	Sanctioned	In Position	Vacant
31st March 2017	24288	20837	3451	17467	13353	4114	33968	27124	6844
31st March 2018	28566	24899	3667	19576	12432	7144	34417	27567	6850
31st March 2019	28545	24676	3869	22891	13750	9141	32824	29799	3025
31st March 2020	25464	22827	2637	17017	13399	3618	35890	28516	7374
31st March 2021	32706	26929	5777	20037	15274	4763	40143	31716	8427

**Details of Specialists at CHCs in Rural Areas**

Year ( as on )	Specialists		
	CHC		
	Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant
31st March 2017	24288	20837	8105
31st March 2018	28566	24899	10051
31st March 2019	28545	24676	9147
31st March 2020	25464	22827	8401
31st March 2021	32706	26929	9268

**Details of Paramedical Staff at District Hospitals and Sub District/ Sub Divisional Hospitals in Rural areas**

Year ( as on )	Paramedical Staff					
	DISTRICT HOSPITAL			SUB DISTRICT/ SUB DIVISIONAL HOSPITAL		
	Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant	Sanctioned	In Position	Vacant
31st March 2017	65974	65769	205	40634	34212	6422
31st March 2018	80214	77203	3011	42774	35318	7456
31st March 2019	90969	85194	5775	52526	36909	15617
31st March 2020	91429	80920	10509	42013	29937	12076
31st March 2021	113972	90435	23537	60960	42073	1887

### Details of Pharmacists at PHCs and CHCs in Rural Areas

Year ( as on )	Pharmacists		
	PHC & CHC		
	Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant
31st March 2017	29315	25193	4582
31st March 2018	32682	28680	4825
31st March 2019	27867	26204	4591
31st March 2020	30306	25792	5716
31st March 2021	37651	28537	9564

### Details of Radiographers at CHCs in Rural Areas

Year ( as on )	Radiographers		
	CHC		
	Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant
31st March 2017	11910	4156	2061
31st March 2018	13635	4074	2069
31st March 2019	12597	3881	1548
31st March 2020	13266	4957	1700
31st March 2021	13637	4405	1558

### Details of Lab Technicians at PHCs & CHCs in Rural Areas

Year ( as on )	Lab Technicians		
	PHC & CHC		
	Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant
31st March 2017	23902	18952	5753
31st March 2018	24668	19434	6214
31st March 2019	20737	18715	5089
31st March 2020	25722	19903	7403
31st March 2021	32739	22723	10632

Source: RHS 2016-17 to 2020-21

