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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. **499** TO BE ANSWERED ON **7**<sup>th</sup> **February, 2023**

#### Jan Aushadhi Kendras

#### 499 # Smt. Kanta Kardam:

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

- (a) whether Government has increased the amount from ₹ 2.5 lakh to ₹ 5 lakh for encouraging Jan Aushadhi Kendras;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras opened in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

- (a) & (b): In order to encourage opening of more Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), the incentive given to the Kendra owners has been enhanced from Rs. 2.50 lakh to up to Rs. 5.00 lakhs, given @ 15% of monthly purchases made by them, subject to a ceiling of Rs. 15,000/per month. Further, additional one-time incentive of Rs. 2.00 lakhs, as reimbursement for IT & infra expenditure, is also 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 opened by women, ex-serviceman, Divyang and SC & ST entrepreneurs.
- (c): Financial-year-wise numbers of Janaushadhi Kendras opened in the state of Uttar Pradesh during the last three are as under:

Financial Year	Number of Kendras opened
2019-20	127
2020-21	194
2021-22	135

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