

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2207
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH AUGUST, 2023**

“MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE FUNCTIONING OF CGHS CLINICS”

2207. SMT. JEBI MATHER HISHAM:

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

- (a) whether Government will take measures to start more CGHS clinics in the State of Kerala;
- (b) whether Government will take measures to enhance the rates under CGHS as a step to bring more private hospitals under CGHS accreditation;
- (c) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the shortage of medical officers is hampering the functioning of CGHS clinics; and
- (d) if so, whether Government will take measures to maintain adequate doctor-to-population ratio?

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

(a) to (d) Government considers opening of new Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Wellness Centre as per extant norms, which include minimum 6000 Central Government Serving employees in the city, subject to availability of resources, sanction for creation of posts of Medical Officers, Staff Nurse, Pharmacists, and Clerical Staff etc. by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, and availability of suitable accommodation for new Wellness Centre. There is no proposal to open more CGHS Wellness Centres in the State of Kerala.

Government has revised rates for Consultation fee, Room rent and ICU Charges on 12.04.2023. Further, the rates for 36 radiological / imaging investigations were revised on 19th June 2023. Since, April 2023, 90 more Health Care Organizations (HCOs) are empanelled under CGHS in different cities as per list annexed. CGHS has a empanelment scheme, where, interested and eligible, private Health Care Organizations apply for empanelment, under CGHS. The HCOs fulfilling the terms and conditions of empanelment are considered for on boarding under CGHS scheme. The guidelines for empanelment under CGHS scheme is available on CGHS website (<https://cghs.gov.in/CghsGovIn/faces/ViewPage.xhtml>).

Recruitment against vacant posts of Medical officers is taken up by CHS division of this Ministry through UPSC. Retired Doctors are engaged on contract against vacant posts as an interim measure, so that functioning of the CGHS Wellness centres is not hampered.

Details of HCOs empaneled after April, 2023

City	Hospitals	Diagnostic Centres
Delhi & NCR	15	
Ahmadabad	4	
Chandigarh	8	
Chennai	3	2
Dehradun	2	
Hyderabad	15	1
Jaipur	4	
Jodhpur	3	
Kolkata	1	
Kochi	1	
Meerut	1	
Mumbai	11	1
Nagpur	1	
Moradabad	1	
Patna	3	
Pune	7	1
Raipur	3	
Varanasi	2	
Total	85	5