GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. 104 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th December, 2023

Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana in Maharashtra

104 Shri Dhananjay Bhimrao Mahadik:

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

- (a) whether Government is implementing Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojnana (PMBJP) in the State of Maharashtra and if so, the number of such kendras functioning in the State;
- (b) the number of PMBJP kendras opened in the State since the inception of this scheme;
- (c) whether Government proposes to open more Janaushadhi outlets in the country in order to provide medicines to the people at affordable price, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government has conducted any assessment about the implementation of PMBJP up to block/district level, State/UT-wise and if so, the details of assessment and its outcome?

ANSWER

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (Dr. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to the RAJYA SABHA STARRED Q. NO. 104 (14th POSITION) for answer on 12.12.2023 raised by Shri Dhananjay Bhimrao Mahadik regarding Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana in Maharashtra

Yes Sir, the Government is implementing the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojnana (PMBJP) in the States of the country including Maharashtra. As on 30.11.2023, 10006 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) have been opened across the country, out of which 655 PMBJKs opened in the State of Maharashtra.

Government has set a target to open 25000 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) by March 2026 across the country to provide medicines to the people at affordable price.

An analysis of implementation of the scheme based on availability of PMBJKs *vis-a-vis* density of the population was conducted wherein 651 districts of the country were found having deficient number of Kendras. Accordingly, online applications have been invited from these districts. To further extend the reach, PMBI has recently invited online applications from all districts of the country. Government hospitals, municipal bodies, State/UT Governments may also send their proposal for setting up of Jan Aushadhi Kendras in these districts. As a result, about 10006 *Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras* (PMBJKs) have been opened across the country covering 753 districts out of 785 districts of the country till 30.11.2023.
