GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 810 ANSWERED ON 30.07.2024

Ayurvedic dispensaries/holistic wellness centres across the country

810 # Shri Rajendra Gehlot:

Will the Minister of *Ayush* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to increase the number of Ayurvedic dispensaries/holistic wellness centres across the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of dispensaries of Ayurveda, which is one of the oldest systems of treatment prevalent in the country, particularly in Rajasthan;
- (c) the number of Siddha doctors posted in these dispensaries and the number of posts of such doctors that remained vacant during the last two years and the current year; and
- (d) whether Government has any plan to fill these vacant posts, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH (SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) Since Public Health is a State subject, increasing the number of Ayurvedic Dispensaries/holistic Wellness Centres across the country comes under the purview of respective State/UT Governments. However, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM), there is a provision of financial assistance to State/UT Governments for establishment new Ayush dispensaries including Ayurveda dispensaries in the area where there are no Ayush facilities available and accordingly they may avail financial assistance by submitting the proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs), as per the provisions of NAM guidelines.

- (b) There are 25280 Ayurveda dispensaries in the country, out of which 3582 are located in Rajasthan.
- (c) & (d) Since Public Health is a State subject, deployment of Ayush Doctors including Siddha Doctors at dispensaries comes under the purview of respective State/UT Government.
