

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2659
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2026**

**STATUS OF HOSPITAL BEDS AND HEALTHCARE FACILITIES IN THE
COUNTRY**

2659. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

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

- (a) the current hospital bed availability in the country per 1,000 population;
- (b) the number of Primary Health Centres (PHCs) functioning without a doctor;
- (c) the shortage of specialists at Community Health Centres (CHCs); and
- (d) the typical bed occupancy rate in many Government hospitals?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (d): ‘Public Health and Hospital’ is a state subject. The primary responsibility for strengthening public healthcare system, including infrastructure, healthcare manpower and service delivery lies with the respective State/Union Territories (UTs). However, under National Health Mission (NHM), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs, to strengthen the public healthcare system based on the proposals received in the form of Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs). The Government of India provides approval for the proposal in the form of Record of Proceedings (RoPs) as per norms & available resources.

The details of beds in hospitals, doctor at Primary Health Centre (PHCs) and specialists at Community Health Centres (CHCs), can be accessed at the following link of Health Dynamics of India (HDI) 2023–24;

<https://www.mohfw-dohfw.gov.in/static/uploads/2026/05/57202cf30629539e4d0fb0a2f700ac62.pdf>
